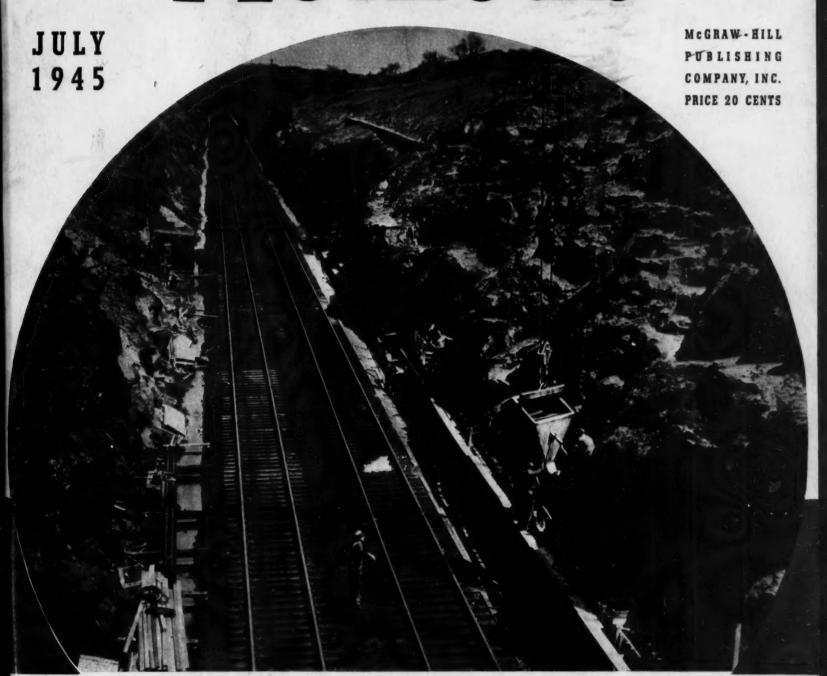
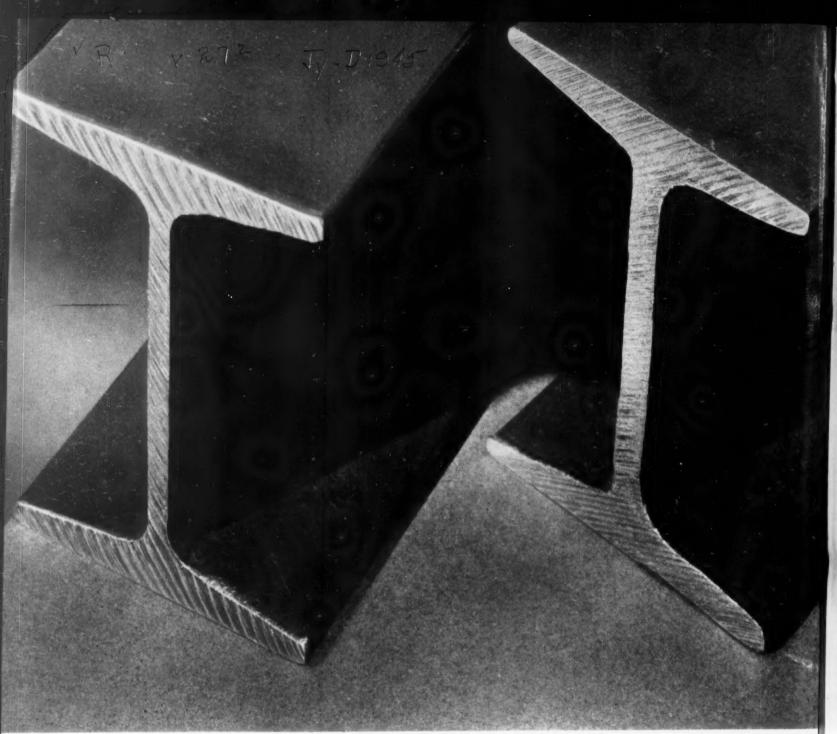
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#### BUILDINGS .

Public—Carbon plant at Odessa, Tex., will be built by Ford, Bacon & Davis, of New York, N. Y., for \$5,000,000. Contract for \$3,000,000 plant at Beloit, Wis., was awarded to Cunningham Bros., of Beloit. Low bid of \$2,512,500 for housing was submitted by Sherry-Richards Co., of Chicago, Ill. Navy contract for magazines at Bangor, Wash., went to **Sound-Kiewit Construction Co.**, of Seattle, for \$2,733,556. Contract for veterans' buildings at Fargo, N. D., was awarded to Hagstrom Construction Co., of St. Paul, Minn., for \$1,719,300. Carbon plant at Seagraves, Tex., will be built by Fluor Co., of Kansas City, Mo., for \$1,500,000. Pacific Construction Co., of Honolulu, T. H., has \$1,755,281 contract for dwellings at Oahu. James W. Glover of Honolulu, will build dwellings at Oahu for \$1,492,392. Navy contract for magazines at Crane, Ind., went to Johnson, Drake & Piper, Inc., of New York, N. Y., for \$1,355,000. Another Navy contract for magazines at Crane, Ind., went to Maxon Construction Co., of Dayton, Ohio, for \$1,-300,500. Rubin Construction Corp., of New York, N. Y., submitted low bid of \$1,158,690 for dwelling units at Newark, N. J. Johnson, Drake & Piper, of Oakland, Calif., has \$1.077,121 contract for housing at Hawthorne, Nev.

Industrial-Plant at Chicago, Ill., will be built by Herlihy Mid-Continent Co., of Chicago, for \$11,000,000. M. W. Kellogg Co., of Los Angeles, Calif., has \$3,049,000 contract for plant at Torrance. John F. Bloomer Co. and Joseph D. Bonness, Inc., of Milwaukee, Wis., have \$925,199 Army contract for apron pavement at Maxwell Field. Ala.

Commercial-Contract for mine development at Lansford, Pa., went to Carey Baxter & Kennedy, of New York, N. Y., for \$3,000,000. Psaty & Fuhrman, Inc., of New York, N. Y., has \$2,250,000 contract for apartments at Akron, Ohio.

#### HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

Army contract for airfield improvements at Fairfield, Calif., went to Morrison-Knudsen Co., of San Francisco, and Stolte, Inc., of Oakland, for an estimated \$19,000,000. Transit sheds at Stockton, Calif., will be built for Navy by Kiewit, Johnson & Everest, of San Francisco, for \$4,700,000. Army contract for runways at Maxwell Field, Ala., went to Wright Contracting Co., of Columbus, Ga., for \$1,666,347. Navy contract for aviation buildings at Philadelphia, Pa., went to John McShain, Inc., of Philadelphia, for \$1,639,200. Pier improvements at Hunters Point, Calif., will be built for Navy by Gerwick, Morrison, Knudsen & Twaits, of San Francisco, for \$1,146,-254. Mowat-Sellen Co., of Seattle, Wash., has \$1,147,492 Army contract for hangar at Seattle. Low bid of \$1,000,000 was submitted by Smith Engine Co. and Noonan Construction Co., of Pensacola, Fla., for runways at Eglin Field. Kiewit, Johnson & Everest, of San Francisco, has \$936,031 Navy contract for taxiways at Moffett Field. Air station heating plant at Cherry Point, N. C., will be built for Navy for \$927,700 by Raisler Corp., of New York, N. Y.

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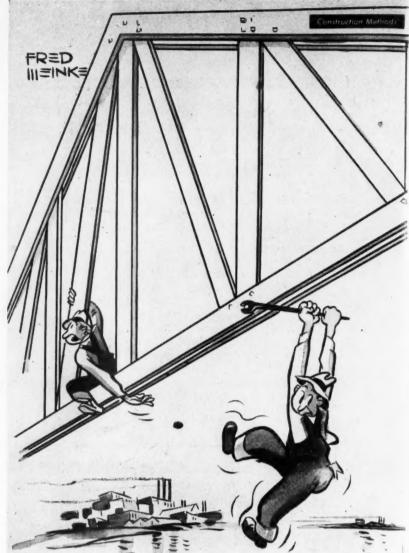
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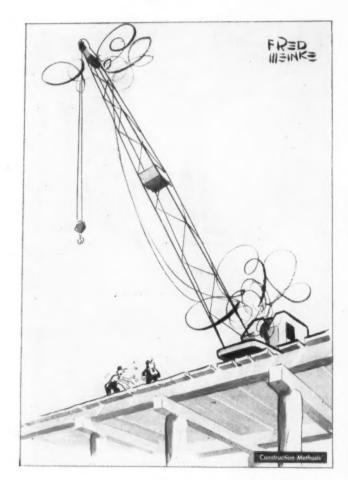
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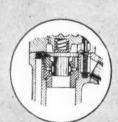
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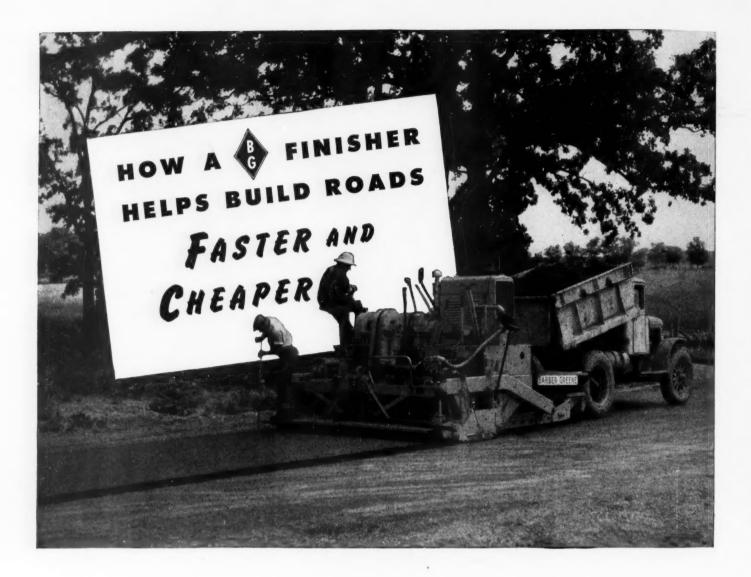
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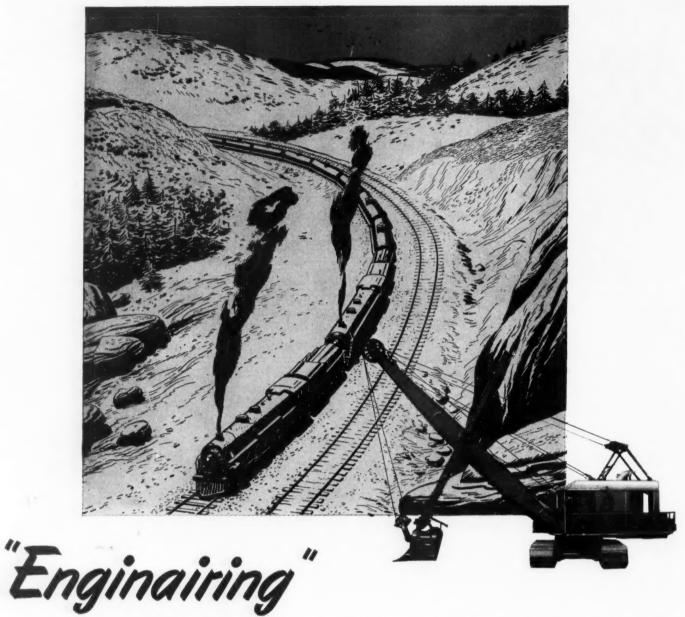
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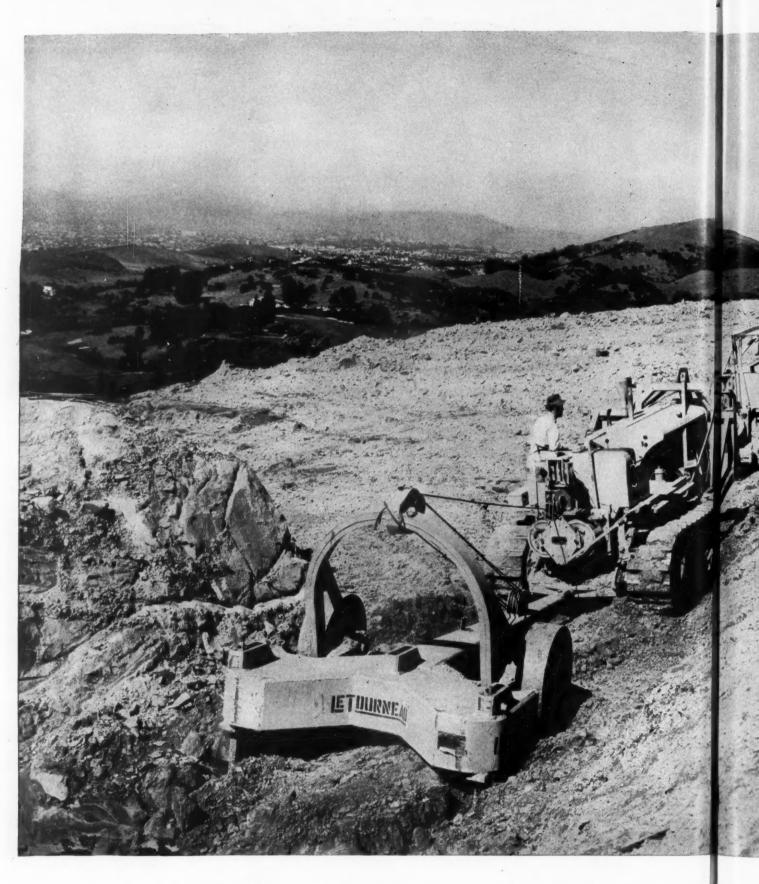
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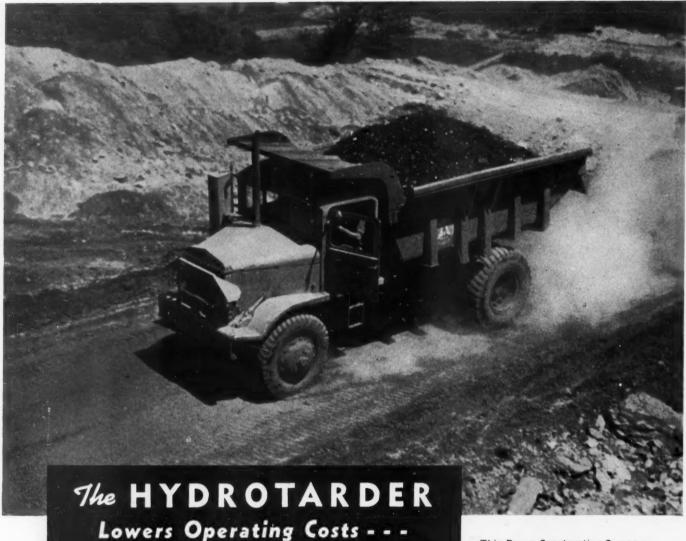


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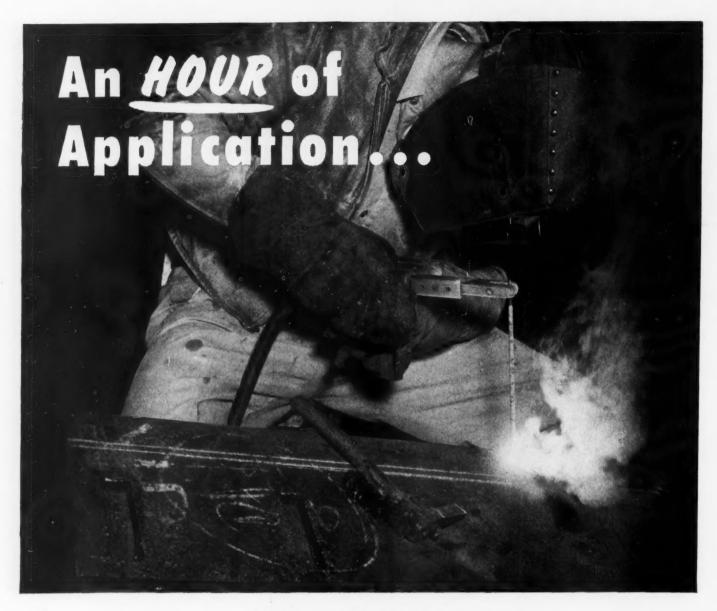
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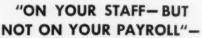
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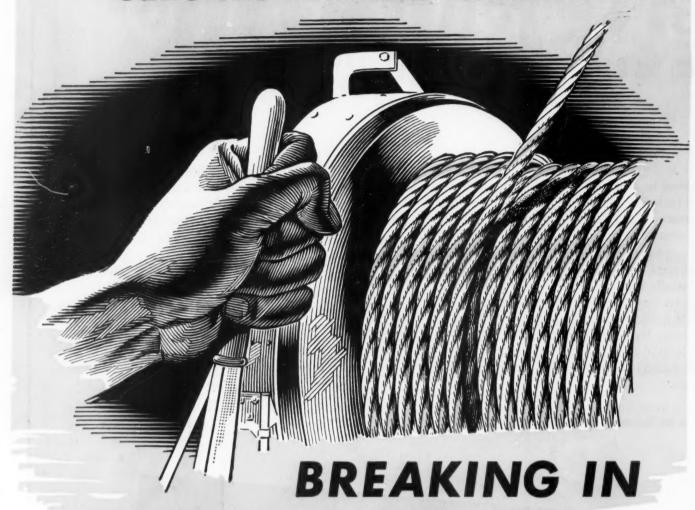


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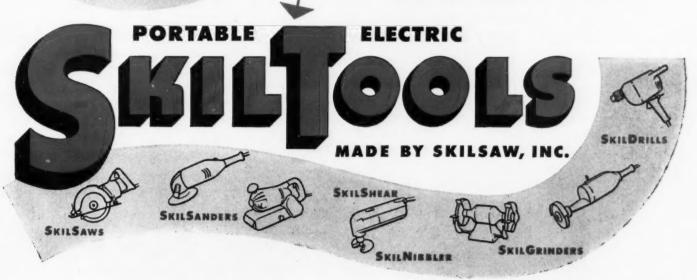
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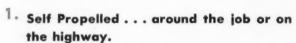
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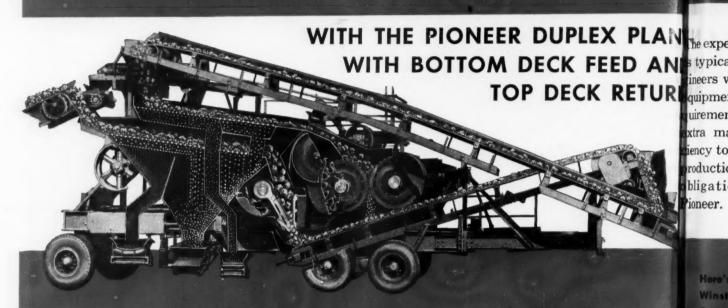
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The job called for the production of dense, graded surface coarse aggregates and cover aggregates from a pit that was short of acceptable sand and contained an excess of clay and fines.

Winston Brothers brought this data to Pioneer engineers. It was established that to make the pit produce the specification it was necessary for the gravel and screening plant to do the following jobs:

Crush oversize over 1" • Reject excess quantities of No. 200 minus • Reject the No. 40 minus because it did not meet the specification as shown by the liquid limit or plasticity index • Produce the No. 10 material in the crushers • Produce and separate the stone chips for cover aggregate.

### THE SPECIFICATION

SURFACE	COARSE	COVER AGGREGATE		
PASSING	%	PASSING	%	
1"	100		1	
3/4"	85—100	1/2"	100	
No. 4	4565	3/8"	90-100	
No. 10	30-50	No. 10	0-5	
No. 200	5-10	No. 200	0-2	

### THE TEST OF THE GRAVEL PIT

3" .			69%	No. 4		32.4	Liquid Limit—test 35
				No. 10 .		28.9	Plasticity Index—test 17.
3/4"			49.0	No. 40 .		25.0	
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### HERE'S HOW THE PLANT DID THE JOB

To perform all these tasks efficiently and at low cost a Pioneer Vibrator Duplex Plant was selected. It is the only standard gravel plant that could make the pit fit the specification because of its exclusive "Bottom Deck Feed."

In the Pioneer "Bottom Deck Feed" plant, the pit

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Crushed material is screened on the top deck that by using a 3/8" opening in the first half of the top deck and a 1/8" opening in the middle deck it was possible to produce "stone chips" and save the crushs fines in the coarse aggregate.

To make this material meet these specification Winston Brothers selected a Pioneer 34-V Duple Crushing Plant. They found it was the only standard gravel plant that could make the material meet the specifications—because of its exclusive "Bottom Deck Feed".

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Oversize from the bottom deck was crushed in

oversize from the bottom deck was crushed in jaw crusher and returned to the top deck. Over from the top deck was crushed in the roll crush. Thus Winston Brothers were able, in one portuplant, to crush oversize...reject pit fines... and aduce surface coarse aggregate... and cover aggregate...

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# Comparison of Viscosity Increase in various oils

	S.A.E. grade at start of test	S.A.E. grade at end of test
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Average of 10 approved* oils	. S.A.E. 30	S.A.E. 40
A high grade conventional oil	. S.A.E. 30	S.A.E. 50
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Gustavus Airport, on constructed under the being used by the Army situated on a broad fla land which forms the of a portion of the coas ated from the main Canal to the east, fro Range by Glacier Bay from Alexander Arch Strait to the south.

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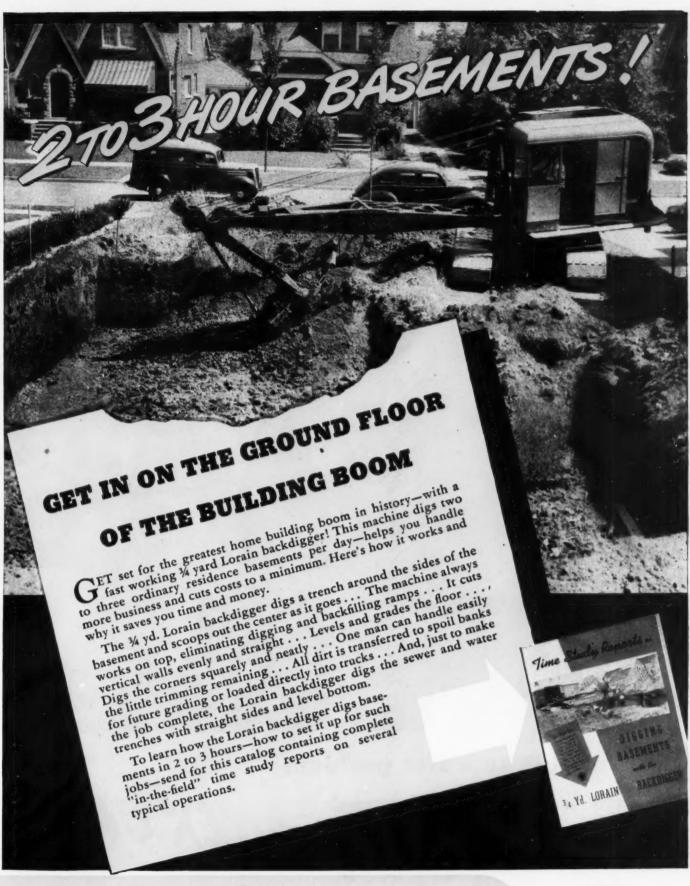
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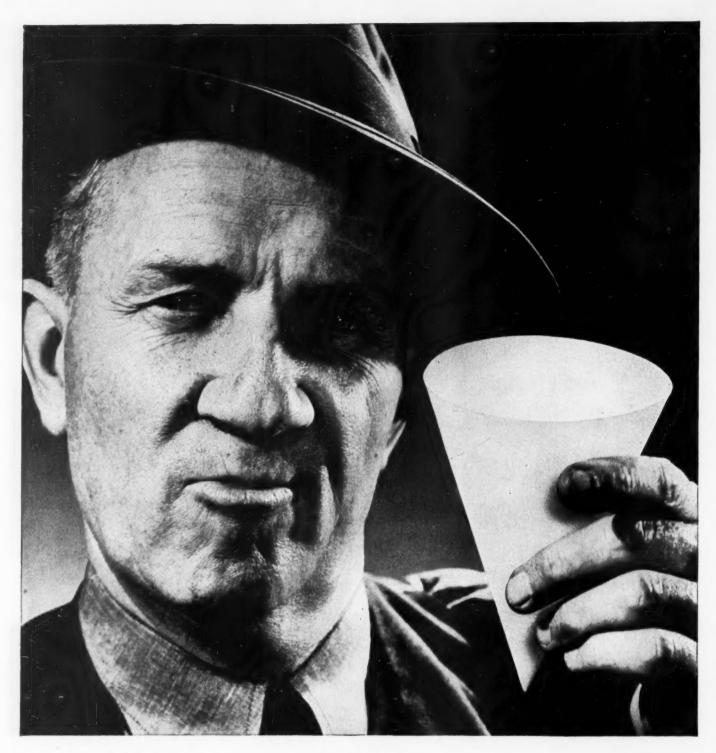
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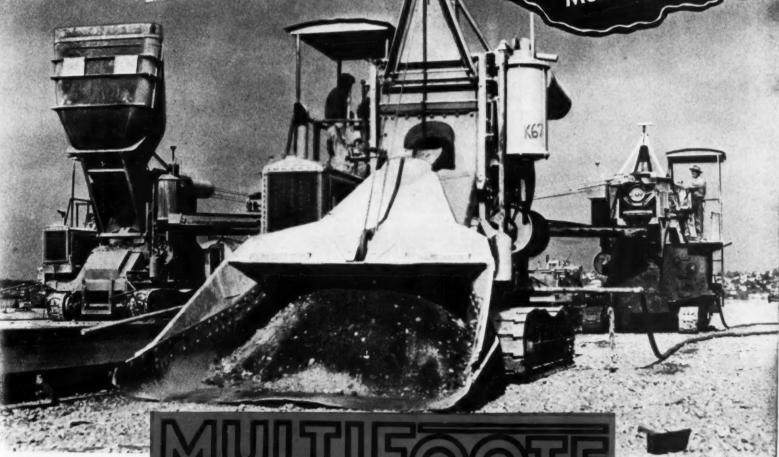
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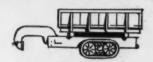


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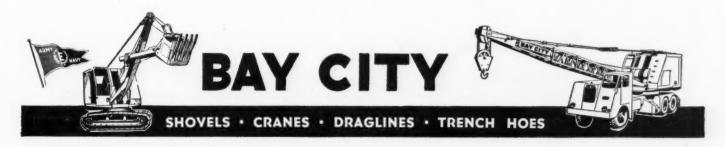
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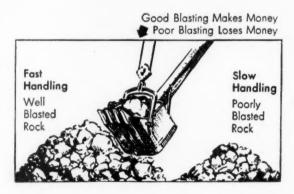


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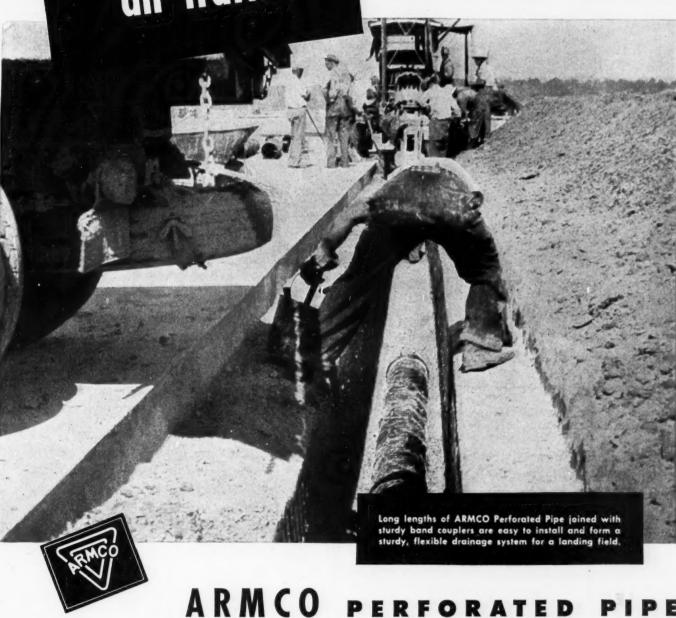
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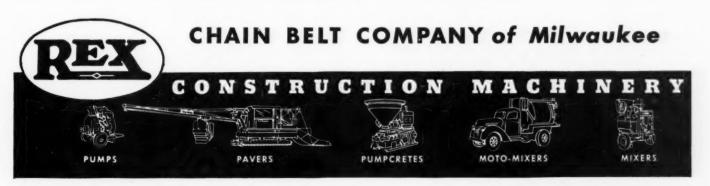


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# Construction Methods

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Gun Carriages REPLACE DEMOLISHED ARCHES

OF FRENCH BRIDGE

YANKEE INGENUITY came to the fore when two arches of Pont de l'Arc Bridge over the Arc River, near Aix, France, were destroyed by German demolitions. Quick repair of this important rail link to the ports of Marseille, Toulon and other coastal towns, was imperative. Plans which called for three weeks of work and a Bailey Bridge were discarded as taking too much time.

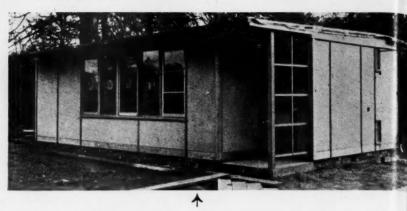
In scouting around for a solution to their problem, the men of the 343rd Engineer Regiment discovered a captured German railroad gun with carriages capable of replacing the demolished arches. The heavy gun was disassembled, the two carriages welded end-to-end and pulled into position as shown in the accompanying photograph. Structural steel beams were used as bracing for the intermediate pier.



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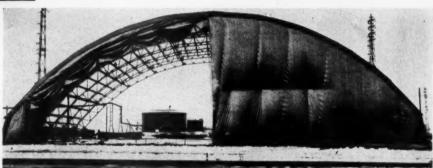
FIRST AMERICAN HOUSE in Britain is erected at experimental station. To relieve housing shortage, 30,000 temporary homes of prefabricated type are being provided by United States. Panelized construction expedites shipping and assembly. In photo below roof panels are shown being put on and bolted.

British Official Photo



BAILEY BRIDGE OVER RHINE, built by Canadian Army Engineers, is opened to traffic. Small sign in foreground specifies 40-ft. distance between vehicles to prevent overloading any portion of structure.

British Combine Photo



GLASS CLOTH is used by U.S. Army Engineers for curtains, side walls and ends of airplane hangars at advance Army Air Forces bases. Structural steel framework and glass cloth are shipped to advance bases for assembling. Cloth woven of glass fiber yarns and coated with synthetic rubber or resin is supplied by Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp.

MULTI-STORY WAREHOUSE on pile-supported concrete piers (below) is built at U.S. Naval Air Station, San Pedro, Calif. Building is being constructed for Bureau of Yards and Docks by James I. Barnes Construction Co., of Santa Monica, for \$1.420,000.

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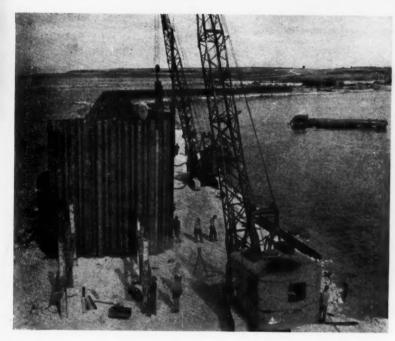
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EXCAVATION FOR ANDERSON RANCH DAM on Boise River in southwestern Idoho is 88 percent

BREAKWATER CAUSE-WAY is constructed of interlocking steel sheetpile cylinders by Seabees in Pacific area. Here Northwest cranes set piles and handle hammer.

U.S. Navy Photo

EXCAVATION FOR ANDERSON RANCH DAM on Boise River in southwestern Idaho is 88 percent completed. Construction schedule calls for placement of 2,000,000 cu. yd. of embankment this year, with completion of dam scheduled for winter of 1947-48. Spillway will be open-channel, concretelined chute with maximum discharge capacity of 20,000 cu. ft. per second. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation structure will be highest earthfill dam in world.

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Photo

GERMAN SUPERHIGHWAY (below) carries American trucks in U. S. First Army sector near Agidienberg, Germany.

Signal Corps Photo

ENGINEERS ON OKINAWA (below) build ponton bridge under enemy fire to carry tanks and other heavy mechanized equipment to enable infantry troops to attack Kakazu Ridge.

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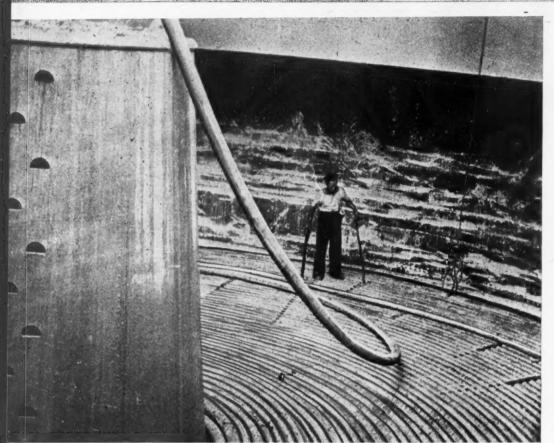
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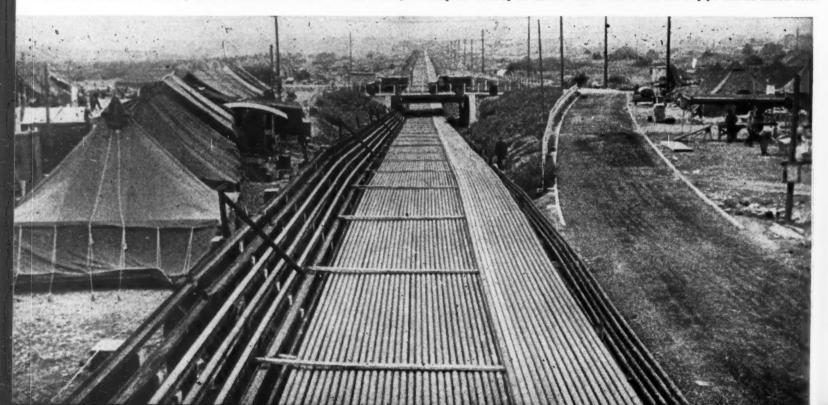
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ONE OF THE MOST SPECTACULAR STORIES to come out of the European Theater of Operations is that of laying 20 3-in. pipelines under the English Channel to carry fuel supplies to allied forces on the Continent. From August 12, 1944, to May 8, 1945, about 120,000,000 gal. of gasoline reached the Anglo-American armies in Europe via the pipeline system laid under the English Channel by British engineers in cooperation with the British Navy. A million gallons daily still is reaching France by way of 20 undersea pipelines as these notes are written. Sixteen of these lines run from Dungeness, on the southeast coast of England, to Boulogne, and four from the Isle of Wight to Cherbourg. From these two French cities, fuel is carried via highpressure gasoline lines to the Rhine.

For security purposes the vast engineering project was called "Operation Pluto," meaning "Pipeline Under the Ocean." It guaranteed uninterrupted delivery of bulk petroleum products and saved man-hours and materials by eliminating extensive harbor, dock and storage facilities otherwise needed for accommodation of tankers. Also, an undersea fuel delivery system is invulner-

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HAMEL PIPE (below) made up of 20-ft. sections is stored in 4.000-ft. lengths ready for winding on Conundrums. Total of 350 mi. of pipe can be stored here.



able from air, surface or submarine attack, and is completely unaffected by weather.

While the British Pluto project was under way, the United States Army was working on a similar idea. After discussions between the respective authorities, it was agreed that efforts should be concentrated on Pluto. General Eisenhower and his staff took an active interest in Pluto's development, and a unit of the U. S. Army Engineer Corps, under the direction of Colonel A. K. Easton, New York, arranged for the manufacture of 140 mi. of HAIS (Hartley-Anglo-Iranian-Siemens) pipe cable by the General Cable Co., Phelps Dodge Copper Products Corp., the General Electric Co. and the Okonite-Callender Cable Co. At the manufacturing plants, cable machines spun an armor of steel wire around 3-in. lead pipe.

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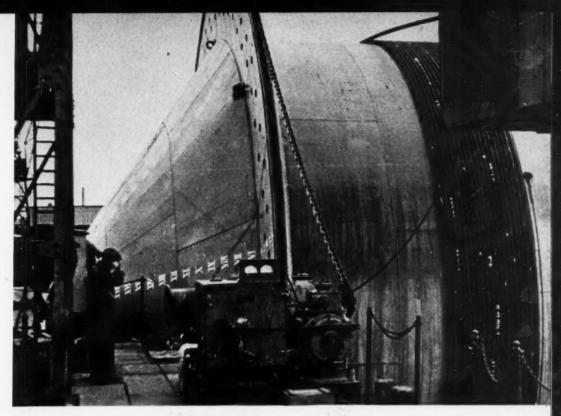
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Lord Louis Mountbatten, then head of Combined Operations, in April, 1942, asked Geoffrey Lloyd, British Minister of Petroleum Warfare, if an oil pipeline could be laid across the English Channel. The experts were doubtful, but A. C. Hartley, chief engineer of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Co., who had used 3-in. high-pressure pipelines in Persia, suggested a pipeline something like a submarine electric power cable without any core or insulation, which could be laid across the Channel in a few hours, by cable-laying ships.

By working day and night over two week-ends, technicians of the firm of Siemens and Henleys completed a full-scale order for several hundred yards of this pipeline to be laid in the Thames from a cable-ship lent by the British Post Office. The results were so successful that Prime Minister Churchill gave the scheme his blessing and two 30-mi. lengths of flexible pipe were ordered to



SECOND TYPE of undersea pipe-laying equipment uses so-called Conundrum, shown here in position for loading 3-in, steel pipe. Drum is rotated slowly as it winds continuous pipe for channel crossing. Fully loaded with 70 mi, of pipe, drum has outside diameter of 50 ft. and weighs 1,600 tons. Roman numerals on end of drum indicate draft, in feet.

an original 2-in. diameter, so that full-scale trials could be held in Bristol Channel, where currents and other conditions closely approximated those to be encountered in the English Channel. Subsequently, the pipe diameters were increased to 3 in., and the pipe wall was strengthened for working pressures in excess of 1,200 psi.

Eight months after Mr. Hartley suggested the scheme an experimental pipeline was laid in the Bristol Channel during a moderate gale, by H.M.S. Holdfast, a coaster fitted with special gear. As a result of this operation, gasoline was delivered from Swansea to Ilfracombe.

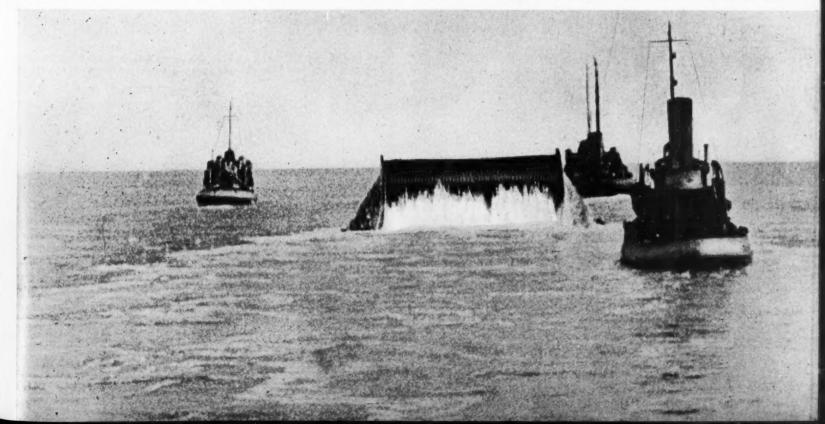
The fact that the pipe cable was hollow increased the laying difficulties, since it was liable to kink and stop the oil flow. The cable was therefore laid full of water to provide sufficient internal pressure to eliminate the tendency to kink.

### Second Type of Pipeline

Meanwhile another type of pipeline was invented by B. J. Ellis, chief oil-fields engineer of the Burma Oil Co., and H. A. Hammick, chief engineer of the Iraq Petroleum Co. This second pipeline, called "Hamel," was composed of 20-ft. lengths of 3-in. dia. steel pipe

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PIPE-LAYING DRUM (below) towed by two tugs and escorted by a third, places continuous 67-mi. length of 3-in. pipe across channel from England to France.





FLEXIBILITY of 3-in. HAIS pipe enables it to pass around cable drum of Liberty ship "Latimer" as pipeline is laid in English Channel.

which could be welded automatically into any desired length and could be wound on to a drum like thread on a spool, if the drum were 30 ft. or more in diameter. To test this scheme, the Admiralty's Director of Naval Construction converted a hopper barge into a pipe-laying craft by adding a large cylinder reel, rotating in trunnions on the barge deck, and capable of carrying many miles of the 3-in. Hamel pipe and feeding it into the sea. From this a second idea was developed-a floating drum capable of carrying the full length of pipe required for the channel crossing. The drum rotated about its horizontal axis unreeling the pipe as it was towed across the Channel by two tugs.

Within a few months a special factory at Tilbury, on the Thames Estuary, was equipped for welding 20-ft. lengths of Hamel pipe into 4,000-ft. lengths at a rate of 10 mi. per day, with facilities for storing the lengths to a total of 350 mi. A duplicate factory was established as an emergency measure in case the first should be bombed.

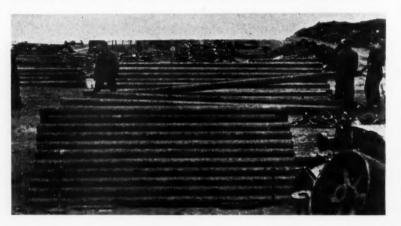
The floating drums, called H.M.S. (Continued on page 174)

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CAMOUFLAGED STORAGE TANKS (below) filled from channel pipelines hold



ON EUROPEAN CONTINENT, pipe (below) for carrying fuel from cross-channel pipelines is stored and trucked forward to keep pace with Allied advance.



FIRST INVASION PIPELINE (below) at Boulogne, France, is fitted with T-union valve, Oct. 1944. Fuel from channel lines eventually reaches as far as Frankfort-on-Main, Germany.



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# Tractor Dragline Whips Wet Weather To Build TIMBER ACCESS ROAD

POWER AND MANEUVERABILITY of a new type of tractor crane, rigged for the job as a 1/2-yd. dragline, made it economically practical for the Kuckenberg Construction Co., contractor, Portland, Ore., to push completion of a 5-mi. timber access road up Cape Creek on the Oregon coast in the face of heavy winter rains. Mounted on a D7 Caterpillar, the crane-dragline unit, called the Hystaway by its maker, the Hyster Co., Portland, was able to get in and out of places where conventional machines could not go. Such is the opinion expressed by Larry Kuckenberg, partner in the firm, who states that the tractor dragline never bogged down and got the work done in all kinds of weather, saving time and money for the contractor.

### Tractor Mounting

Methods of attaching the 7,500-lb. dragline rig to a standard, unaltered tractor preserved full flexibility of the crawler assembly and thus contributed to the mobility of the complete unit. The crane attachment, designed for mounting on D6, D7 or D8 tractors, consists primarily of a hoist, attached to the main body of the tractor at the rear, and a boom backstayed to a mast which is pivoted at its base. The mast in turn is backstayed to the front part of the track roller frames of the tractor, through an equalizer beam and struts which have flexible connections at both ends.

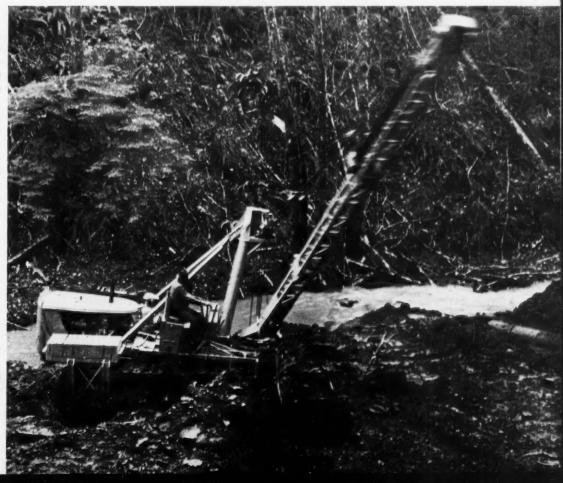
This method of attachment permits unrestricted oscillation of the crawlers of the tractor, and the tractor spring can move freely even when the crane is operating. Because the principal overturning forces are delivered to the mast and backstay structures and not to the main body of the tractor, loads applied to the boom do not cause the main body of the tractor to move up and down as permitted by the tractor spring, nor do such loads prevent the body of the tractor from moving up

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TOUGH JOB of building timber access road through rough country in wet weather yields to power and maneuverability of tractor crane operating ½-yd. dragline bucket on 30-ft. revolving boom. A-frame mast, pivoted at base, is backstayed through flexible connections to front of track roller frames, preserving unrestricted flexibility of crawlers and preventing up-and-down movement of main body of tractor when loads are applied to boom.

LOW MOUNTING of hoist at rear of tractor (below) puts dragline fairlead close to ground for efficient digging to within few feet of machine. Boom can swing 120 deg. either side of center. Counterweights over tracks are not needed when tractor carries bulldozer.





HEAVY WORK in ripping compacted shale soil road is performed by 10-ton three-wheel roller using hydraulically controlled scarifier. Studs on driving wheels give added traction. Motorized blade grader shapes loosened material for mixing and compaction.

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FOLLOWING APPLICATION of pulverized waterproofing agent by spreader in five trips totaling 6 lb. per sq.yd., tractor-drawn disk harrow continues drymixing of soil.

DISK HARROW (below) mixes loosened shale with powdered waterproofing agent previously applied on strip 14 ft, wide down center of 22-ft. graded road in Pennsylvania.



# Powdered Admixture Waterproofs Shale Road in PENNSYLVANIA

STABILIZATION TEST

A SIMPLE CRATER TEST performed on the site by a Hercules Powder Co. representative determined the applicability to a shale earth foad near Gettysburg, Pa., of Stabinol, a powdered combination of specially treated resin and other chemicals, for the purpose of waterproofing and stabilizing the soil on this experimental project of the Pennsylvania Department of Highways. Originally planned for another earth road, soil samples from which had been thoroughly tested in the Hercules laboratory at Wilmington, Del., the experiment was switched to the shale road to permit earlier construction, ahead of freezing weather, using state maintenance equipment from an adjacent project. With the addition of a light farm tractor and disk harrow, this equipment, consisting of a roller with scarifier attachment, a motor grader and a tank wagon quickly carried out the preparation, manipulation, moistening and compacting necessary in treating the soil to 6-in. depth with 6 lb. per sq. yd, of the waterproofing, stabilizing product, applied to the loosened earth in several trips by a lime spreader attached to a truck. The roller-scarifier and tractor-harrow units followed the spreader on each trip.

In its effect upon soils, the resin-base product known as Stabinol is different from other stabilizing agents. Essentially, with any soil having the proper affinity for it, Stabinol waterproofs the soil particles and prevents the penetration of excessive moisture, thus maintaining the stability of the road

IN CHARGE OF MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS (below) for Pennsylvania Department of Highways is WARREN MYERS (left), maintenance engineer, here discussing project with L. D. LAMBERT, district maintenance engineer.



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EXPERIMENTAL PROJECT gets personal attention of these Pennsylvania Highway Department representatives (left to right): ALLEN SHARRAH, assistant maintenance superintendent in Adams County: L. D. LAMBERT, district maintenance engineer; W. H. HERMAN, division engineer; R. J. HARPER, district engineer; and L. O. BEITLER, foreman.



OVERSIZE CHUNKS of hard shale are removed from 14-ft, treated width by hand shovels after earth has been loosened by scarifier and disk harrow.

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structure in all weather. It is not effective with all soils, and laboratory or field tests are necessary to determine conclusively its applicability in each case. Ordinarily, the material works well with clayey or silty soils in which fine clays do not predominate. Conversely, the material is not recommended for granular soils (sands and gravels) having small proportions of binder.

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Crater Test—Quick evidence of the feasibility of water-proofing a soil with Stabinol is provided by a field test of the kind performed beside the Pennsylvanian shale road. A sample of soil is mixed with about 1 percent of the pulverized product and is formed into a cone-shaped pile with a cup-size depression, or crater, in the top. Alongside, a similar pile is formed of untreated soil. The two cupped depressions are filled with water. If the soil has the proper affinity for the waterproofing agent, the water in the cup of the treated pile will still be standing at the original level after all the water in the untreated mound has soaked into the earth and turned it into a muddy mass.

Evidence of this kind demonstrated the applicability of the product to the shale on the Pennsylvania road, the first in the state to be so treated. Successful applications of the water-proofing agent had been made for the Army and Navy on roads and airfields in several parts of the United States, and the

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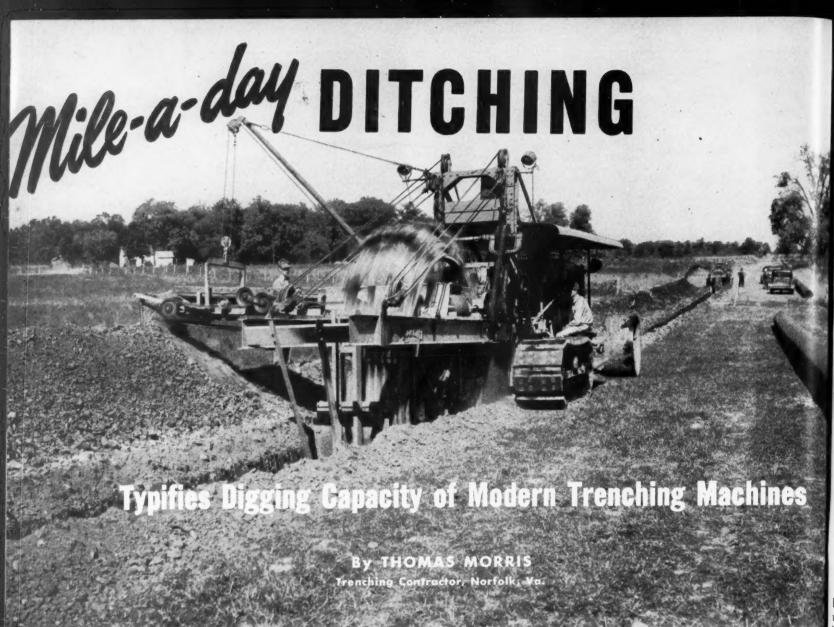
ENGINEERING SERVICE is provided by manufacturer of waterproofing agent, represented by two men in this group on project. Group includes (left to right): EVART MAYFIELD, Hercules Powder Co., L. D. LAMBERT, district maintenance engineer; ALLEN SHARRAH and R. A. THOMPSON, assistant maintenance superintendents in Adams County; and P. J. RENO, Hercules Powder Co.

AFTER DRY MIXING of soil with waterproofing agent, tank wagon (below) drawn by truck sprays additional water to bring moisture content of soil nearer to optimum.



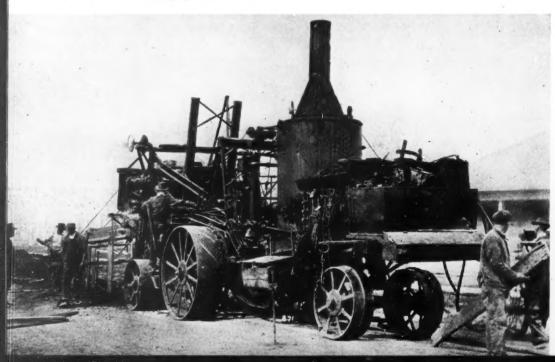
MOTOR GRADER (below) with winterized cabin, heated when desired by exhaust bypass pipe, shapes mixed material to proper cross-section profile. This is followed by 10-ton roller.





OIL PIPELINE JOB moves rapidly as two machines operate in tandem to dig one trench. Buckeye Model 32 making first cut and Model 48 taking out second cut. Use of two trenchers assures steady mileage of pipeline construction; if one machine breaks down, other can dig full depth until first machine is repaired. Two machines dig up to 2 mi. a day on oil and gas lines by this method.

STEAM TRENCHING OUTFIT (below), one of first machines designed specifically for ditching purposes, is Parsons Model 60 oscillating type shown here at work in 1907. This massive assemblage of machinery is husky, awkward progenitor of modern efficient trenching machine, relatively much lighter in weight and capable of digging a mile a day. Note that steam traction and power unit of 1907 model is distinct from digging unit.



DURING THE FORTY YEARS or more since their first crude prototypes went to work, trenching machines have developed from steam outfits, pulled ahead by deadman and winch, to the present self-propelled crawler models capable of digging a mile a day. Designed strictly for the one purpose of cutting ditches, the trenching machine, when properly applied, is the fastest earthmover for its weight and horsepower in the construction field. Before a contractor can reap the benefits of this great potential output, he must first select a trenching machine of a type and size which fits the work to be done and, even more important, must put on the machine an operator who possesses both skill and mechanical knowhow.

In the following paragraphs, several comments and recommendations are offered by the writer in the hope that 25 years' experience in the trenching machine field may yield some suggestions of value to newcomers in the business. The 25-year experience includes work in various capacities as oiler, maintenance man, operator and, finally, owner of a business which operates in nearly all states east of the Mississippi. Jobs undertaken during the quarter century have

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OFFSET BOOM moved over to far left side of machine enables trencher to dig within 12 in. of pole. Conveyor loads trucks at other side of Parsons Model 25, particularly adaptable to light sewer and water trenches.



POWERFUL MACHINE for sewer and water work, Parsons Model 310, said to be largest full-crawler model in world, is equipped with offset ladder boom making machine one of best units for medium-heavy-trenching.

called for all kinds of digging, from loam to hardpan, in every type of terrain, from salt marsh to mountain country. The work has involved personal operation of practically every model of trenching machine manufactured and has led to the ownership of 36 machines of various models.

#### Three Types of Trenchers

Several factors need to be considered by a prospective purchaser of a new or used trenching machine. There are three basic types of machines and four major manufacturing companies. In general, it may be said that each manufacturer produces a line of trenchers which serve satisfactorily on several kinds of ditching work. At the same time, each of the manufacturers is recognized as a specialist in one branch of the trenching field: Buckeye in the oil fields; Cleveland for utilities; Parsons for sewer and water;

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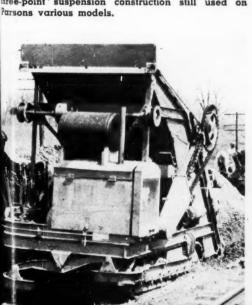
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MANY HUNDREDS of Parsons Model 21 (below) still are in use, although manufacture of this machine has been discontinued. Useful for small water and sewer jobs, this trencher was first offset-boom model made. Note three-point suspension of main frame on track mounting, forerunner of hree-point suspension construction still used on Parsons various models.





OUTSTANDING IMPROVEMENT in mechanical design of Parsons Model 250 medium-sized trenching machine consists of mounting on Koehring-type crawler tracks, recognized as one of best-designed tracks for trouble-free operation in excavator field. Use of these rugged tracks eliminates one of most common causes of difficulties in trenching machine operation. Narrow conveyor belt requires heavy loading to handle large capacity and provides small clearance for disposing of obstructions.

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THOMAS MORRIS (below), author of accompanying notes, takes turn at operating one of his Cleveland Model 95 trenching machines on 60-mi, natural-gas pipeline job for housing project of 5,200 demountable houses in Newport News, Va. Machine is riding on crust of frozen ground across swamp, and work has to be restricted to few early morning hours each day before ground softens and lets machine break through.





BANK SLOPING DEVICE built of two grader blades mounted on boom of Cleveland 140 wheel-type ditcher is ideal tool for open-ditch farm drainage. Note clean, level trench left by crumber. Digging wheel floats entirely on crumber, which slides on damp bottom of trench.



BANK SPUDDING with slice bars cuts banks back to stable slope and feeds material directly into buckets of ladder-type trencher, thus eliminating difficulty and expense of close-sheeting trench. By means of spudding, about 300 ft. per day of sewer is laid at minimum cost.

With Main Transmission (and Digging Wheel) in	Traction speeds available in either direction FEET PER MINUTE											
First Speed	.4	.6	.9	1.2	1.7	2.3	2.8	3.8	4.5	10.2	18.5	31.5
Second Speed	.9	1.2	1.8	2.5	3.2	4.5	5.5	7.5	8.8	20	36	61
Third Speed	1.7	2.3	3.5	4.8	6.5	9	11	15	17.5	39	72	122
High Speed (ordinarily used when digging).	2.8	3.8	5.8	8	10.6	15	18	24,5	29	65	119	200
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Bold face type indicates digging speeds. Light face type indicates road speeds.

TABLE of digging and road speeds indicates range of typical speeds found in one standard, mediumsize trencher (Cleveland 95). Other trenching machines offer similar range of speeds, with slight variations, according to size.

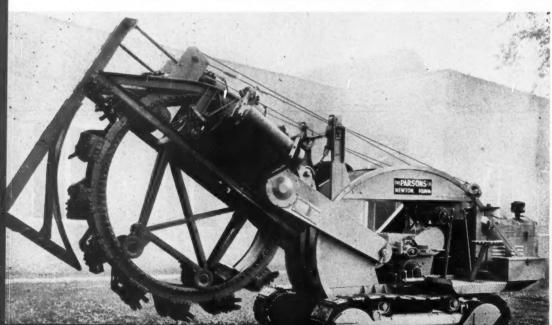
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POST-WAR WHEEL-TYPE TRENCHER (below), designed and under test by Parsons Co., indicates progress toward goal of desirable features set up by experienced users of ditching machines. Model 200 apparently includes reliable Koehring-type crawler tracks; inclosed chains, gears and sprockets; and Twin-Disc steering clutches; it seems also to have power shift conveyor, another good feature. Crumber and leveler, attached to rear of boom, lides on damp bottom of trench and maintains accurate grade regardless of ups and downs of front end of machine. This kind of attachment, which can be used with wheel-type and vertical-boom ditchers, leaves clean trench behind machine.

and Barber-Greene for house connections and footings. The three kinds of trenching machines are the wheel type made by Cleveland, Buckeye and Parsons; the ladder type made by Buckeye, Cleveland and Parsons; and the vertical-boom type, made by Barber-Greene.

Most popular and speediest trencher model is a wheel-type machine which digs a 5-ft. 6-in. depth and a width from 11 to 24 in. This is the size most used in the utility field, and the Cleveland Trencher Co. has made a specialty of producing a model to fit these digging requirements. Obstructions up to ½-

TESTING FOR BUGS (below), Parsons operator puts new post-war Model 200 through its paces to determine what parts need to be reinforced or redesigned. Thorough testing of new designs by manufacturers saves first buyers of new models from bearing heavy cost for engineering experimentation necessary to improve untried machines.





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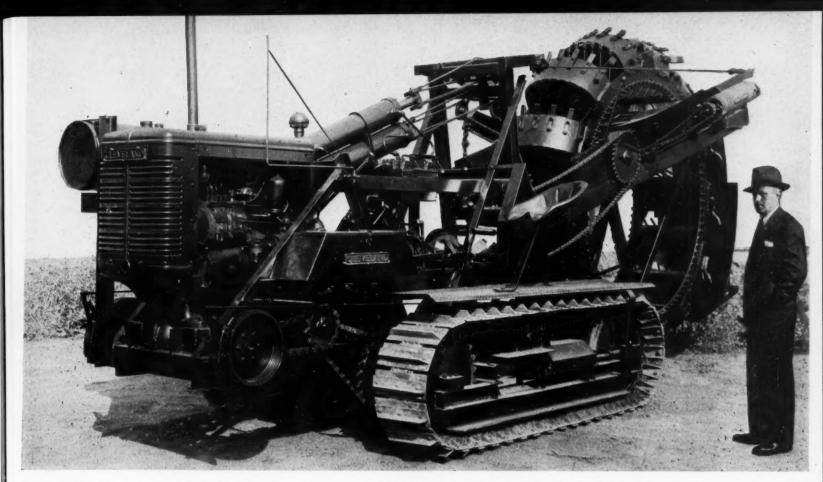
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WIDE BUCKETS on Cleveland 140 wheel-type model dig trench of 26-in, width. Side cutters can be added to dig 30 in, wide. UD-9 diesel engine provides balanced power for this machine, and hydraulic hoist makes for fast raising and lowering of boom. THOMAS MORRIS, standing beside machine, owns and operates two Model 140's, both of which have been converted by him from tracks shown here to tractor-type tracks with smooth shoes.

#### TRENCHING MACHINES—Principal Dimensions and Characteristics

Make	Model	Weight, lb.	Boom const.	Cutting width, in.	Cutting depth	Total overall width	Total overall length	Overall ht. for shipping	Width and Length of tracks, c. to c. of bearings	Pressure under tracks, psi.	Engine hp.
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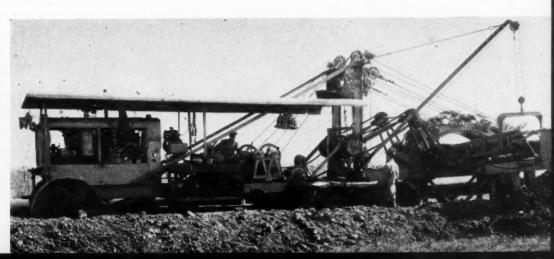
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LARGEST WHEEL TRENCHER (right) is Buckeye Model 48, weighing 23 tons, equipped with 90-hp. diesel engine. Heavily-built machine is designed particularly for cross-country oil and gas pipeline trenching where hard, heavy digging is encountered. Under favorable conditions, machine can dig 1½ mi. a day. This trencher is second unit in headpiece picture of two machines operating in garden on one pipeline trench. Long machine with tandem on one pipeline trench. Long machine with front end on wheels to counterbalance heavy digging wheel at rear is typical of Buckeye oilfield

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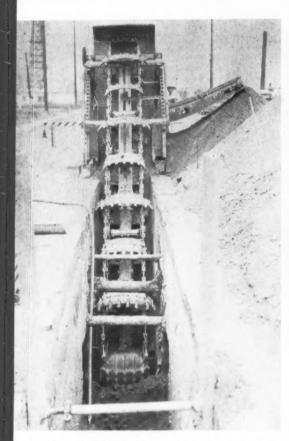




PARTICULARLY ADAPTED to sewer and water-main trenching of mediumheavy type, Buckeye Model 160 ladder-type unit is largest full-crawler machine made by this manufacturer.



RIVAL OF WHEEL DITCHERS in utility field is this ladder-type machine with high-speed bucket line, low overhead height, narrow width and good maneuverability. Buckeye Model 410 is one of manufacturer's latest machines.

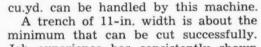


AGILITY IN DIGGING through maze of pipes is shown by Buckeye Model 120 ladder-type ditcher which has just passed three pipes in this trench. Machine first digs up to and over them and then backs boom under pipes, practically eliminating hand work.



TRENCH FOR BUILDING FOUNDATION is excavated by vertical-boom ditcher especially adapted to this kind of work. Raised position of vertical boom of Barber-Greene Model 44-C indicates that machine is cutting trench only about 2 ft. deep. Boom can be lowered to dig to 7-ft. depth.

LARGE-SCALE EARTHMOVING (below) marks operation of Buckeye Model 260 ladder-type trencher weighing nearly 60 tons, which digs more than 400 lin.ft. 23 to 31 ft. deep and 8 ft. wide in 8-hr. shift on this job of rerouting sewer. Volume of earth excavated per day from this trench ranges between 3,000 and 4,000 cu.-yd. in 8 hr. Boom extension is added to enable machine to dig beyond 24-ft. standard depth. With rotary side cutters, machine can excavate trench 12 ft. wide. This model is world's largest ditcher.



Job experience has consistently shown that a machine cutting a width of less than 11 in. gives continuous trouble with stones and gumbo sticking in the narrow buckets. Furthermore, trenches of less than 11-in. width are too narrow to back-

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fill and tamp properly.

Larger wheel-type trenchers, built by Buckeye, with digging wheels up to 40 in. by 7½ ft. for use in the oil fields, are designed for heavier weight and sturdier construction to maintain speed through shale, soft rock and hardpan. Boulders, broken concrete and other obstructions up to 1-cu.yd. size can be handled successfully by one of these large wheel trenchers.

Designed for heavier and deeper digging of trenches for drainage, sewer and water lines, the ladder-type machine, specialized in by the Parsons Co., although not so fast as the wheel type, can very easily handle obstructions up to 1 cu.yd. In loose material, the trench banks can be sloped into the digging buckets as the machine progresses, thereby saving the cost of sheeting. The offset boom is recommended for close-quarter jobs.

Designed for precision ditching, the vertical-boom type, made by Barber-Greene, is an excellent machine for digging footings, as the unit leaves a square bottom and vertical walls ready for the placing of concrete, eliminating forms and handwork. The vertical-boom machine also is useful for cutting ditches for services and all small utility installations. A model cutting 5 ft. 6 in. deep and 18 to 24 in. wide is the most practical size. Users appreciate as a good feature of this machine the engineered built-in take-up arrangement for every shaft and chain.

Excavating Capacity—Comparison of a medium-size trenching machine with a 1½-cu.yd. shovel gives an idea of the machine's capacity for eating up earth. A machine digging a ditch 2 ft. wide and



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LARGE, WHEEL-TYPE DITCHER digs trench in coral rock in Florida in 1925. This machine, one of largest of its type, operates 14-ft. cutting wheel to dig trenches 3 ft. wide and 14 ft. deep. THOMAS MORRIS, author, is seated on back of boom in both photographs.

VERTICAL-BOOM DITCHER, Barber-Greene Model 44C, digs clean-cut square-bottom trench. With operator wearing head phones of pipe detector, this machine works well among city services and mains. Note follow-up crumber which slides on boom and rides on bottom of trench under its own weight.

4 ft. 6 in. deep at a speed of 14 ft. per min. will excavate 2,800 cu.yd. in a 10-hr. day. In the same time, a 1½-cu.yd. shovel, making three passes per minute, will excavate 2,700 cu.yd., on the basis of rated capacity. Neither machine, of course, can do the other's work, but the comparison does show relative capacity.

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Use of Machine—Trenching machines ought to be used on the kind of work for which they have been designed. I have seen powerful ladder-type trenchers ruined by trying to use them for digging footings and services. Continual twisting and turning of the big ditchers to follow short trenches bend and crack up the tracks. Small machines similarly have been ruined by overwork in attempting to dig large sewer trenches.

Models of trenching machines at pres-(Continued on page 152)





LONG, HIGH CONVEYOR with 180-deg, swing, here stacking spoil on either side of trench, can be used also to load trucks or build up roadway in front of Cleveland Model 170. Narrow width, only 62 in. overall, permits this trencher to dig for installation of sewers inside limits of sidewalks.

FOR PRACTICAL USE of owner or buyer (below), this method of presenting complete dimensions (of Parsons 25) on one page of manufacturer's catalog appears to offer clearest and quickest means of taking off needed information.

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TRACTOR-DRAWN PLOW (below) operates effectively to depth of 18 in. in sand and wet earth for cable laying and drainage trenches. This type of plow has excavated up to 3 mi. per day for author.

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Hazardous Marine Salvage



Removes Wreckage of Blasted Ammunition Ships From Water 25-50 Ft. Deep

one of the most hazardous and delicate submarine demolition jobs confronted by West Coast contractors, the underwater clean-up of wreckage of two ammunition ships blown-up in last July's disastrous explosion at Port Chicago, Calif., but which still contained tons of unexpended ammunition, was completed in April without a single lost time accident

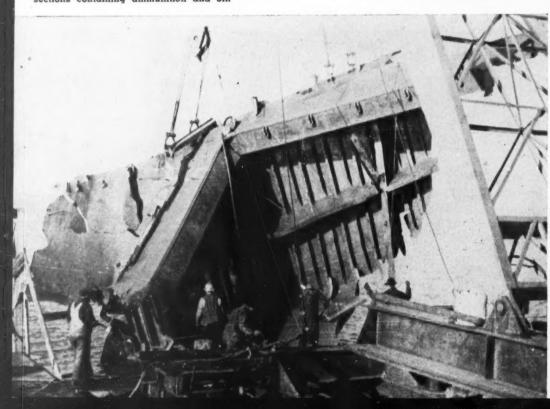
Joint venture of J. D. Proctor, Inc., and LeBoeuf-Dougherty & Co. of Point Richmond, the operation entailed repeated use of underwater oxygen-hydrogen cutting torches against sections containing live explosives and tanks in which large amounts of oil were trapped. Further complicating the job were sharp, jagged steel fragments in the black waters of the bay bottom which jeopardized divers' life lines.

SPECIALLY DESIGNED DERRICK BARGE equipped with A-frame capable of lifting 200 tons, raises side hull and part of deck covering of one of two ammunition ships, blown up in disastrous Port Chicago explosion in July of last year. Two steel pontoons give added buoyancy and stability.

SECTION OF VICTORY SHIP'S HATCH (below) is pulled from bay floor. To break up large sections of ships for removal, underwater oxygenhydrogen cutting torches had to be used against sections containing ammunition and oil.

BATTERY OF OXYGEN AND ACETYLENE TANKS supplies torches for cutting piles of salvaged steel to smelter size.





Most delicate operation, according to engineers, was the removal of two submerged box cars, one containing 325-lb. aerial depth charges and the other magnesium and thermite incendiary bombs, which had been blasted from their tracks. They were lifted intact, removed to an uninhabited island and buried in 40-ft. trenches.

Because no equipment capable of handling some of the huge blast-torn ship sections was available in the San Francisco Bay area, special equipment was hurriedly designed and built by the contractors, including a derrick barge and Aframe.

To locate scattered bits of hull, explosives and steel fragments from an area of about 1,500x3,000 ft. under from 25 to 50 ft. of water after largest sections had been cleared, a steel cable was fastened between two tugs. The area was dragged

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READY FOR DESCENT into bay waters is J. D. PROCTOR, president of one of the firms which undertook to cleanup underwater wreckage at Port Chicago. Considered one of country's ablest industrial divers, Mr. Proctor followed his custom of leading way for his diving crews. He had charge of underwater work, including reconnaissance, layout, rigging, burning and blasting.

until the cable caught on an object. Then a diver would follow the cable down to investigate. Such objects as could not be raised with the A-frame were marked with buoys to be cut and raised later.

Harry W. Erickson, vice-president of J. D. Proctor, Inc., supervised field operations, while J. D. Proctor, president, had charge of underwater work.



TWISTED STEEL removed from bottom of Suisun Bay at Port Chicago, wreckage of two ammunition ships, is piled along shore. Derrick barge, which salvaged wreckage from an area 1,500 x 3,000 ft., is shown at right.



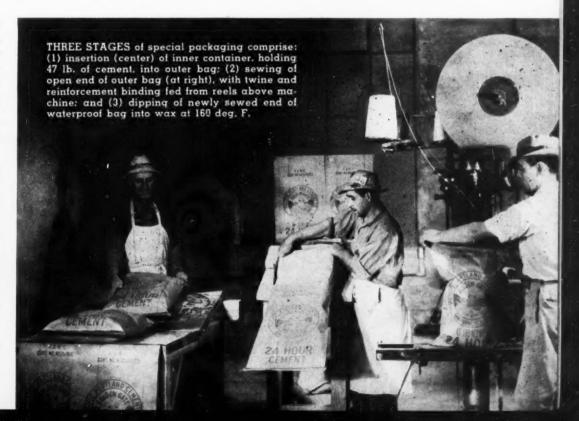
PLANT SET-UP to handle cleaning and burning to size of steel for delivery to smelter is shown above. Fragments were loaded on to trucks with an electric magnet, visible at end of crane cable. On crane boom is drum for taking up slack in power line to magnet.

## Half-Size Cement Sack FITS COMBAT NEEDS

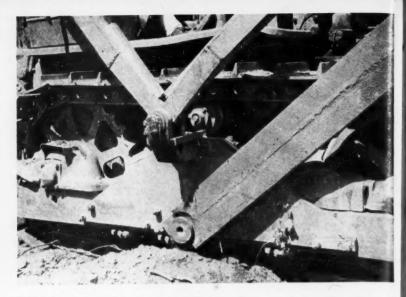
WHERE CEMENT IS BEING USED for military construction close to the front lines, ordinary 1-cu.ft. (94-lb.) sacks are too heavy for quick and easy handling. After seeing cement sacks opened and part of the contents dumped out to speed safe handling of the remainder, it is easy to understand why the U. S. Marine Corps would want cement in smaller packages

Another point is the need for extra protection against moisture in the humid tropics, particularly when cement has to go ashore with troops that land the hard way. Packages that contain ½ cu.ft., inserted in double the usual paper bag thickness with the final package dipped in waterproofiing wax, have many advantages. Just how the 47-lb. sacks are packed in the plant of the Pacific Portland Cement Co. near San Francisco is shown in the accompanying photograph.

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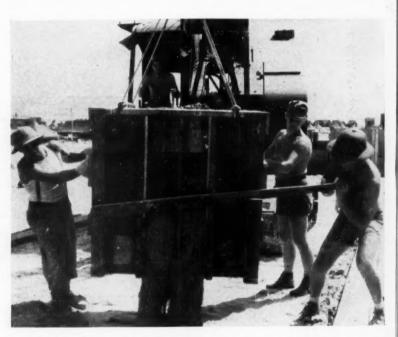


TRACTOR CRANE UNIT of scrap parts installed on Hyster-Caterpillar bulldozer (left) loads coconut logs on to truck. Built by heavy equipment department of special U. S. Naval Construction Battalion, crane has 6-ton load limit at 15 ft. radius. Hand-forged bushings (right) are used to connect boom to blade arm bracket. Pulleys and blocks are hand forged and 3½-in. angle iron welded together forms 7-in. channel iron for boom. Change from blade to boom can be made in 30 mln.



#### CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

### For Superintendents and Foremen



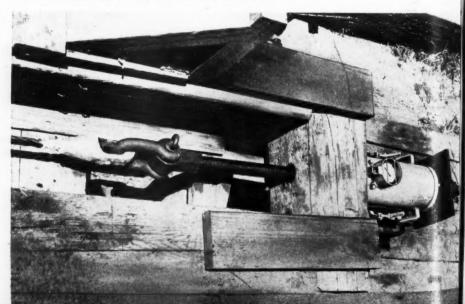
JOB-MADE WOOD BUCKET with sliding side gate controlled by lever arm for pouring concrete is product of Seabee ingenuity at spare-parts sub-depot at Pacific base.

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RADIANT HEATING SYSTEM (below) is installed in residence at Lancaster. Pa. Floor-type system uses 34... 1- and 11/2-in. Byers wrought-iron pipe which was fabricated at job site and embedded in concrete floor. Photo shows pipes in place on crushed stone fill before concrete pouring.

TENSILE TEST (below) of  $1^{1}/2$ -in. cable sling is made by Simplex jenny center hole hydraulic puller of 100-ton capacity. Clevis through deadeye is secured to long bolt which has been inserted through jenny and fastened above cylindrical ram. Dial shows pulling power applied. Unit, made by Templeton, Kenly & Co., of Chicago, Ill., is mainly used for heavy-duty pulling, pushing and lifting jobs.





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HAND PUMP is used to remove water inside ponton crossing constructed in Europe by American troops.

Signal Corps Photo

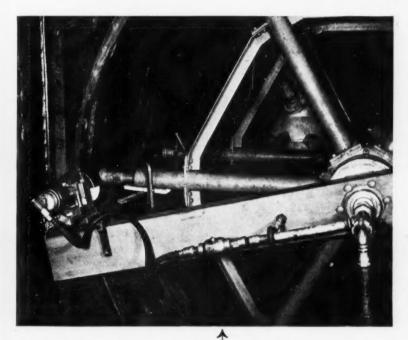
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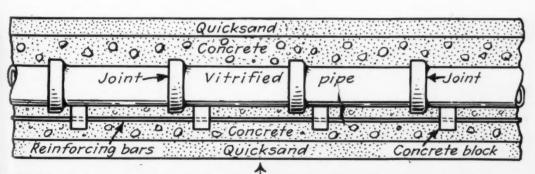


TRENCH IS DUG, by Morrison Co. ditcher (above and below, right) for U. S. Bureau of Reclamation. Machine is built up Killefer plow consisting mainly of two 12-in. plow blades back to back behind Isaacson nipper blade which rides 3 to 4 in. below plow blades and ahead of two grader blades set at slope of ditch. It is followed by drag with adjustable strikeoff piece built to shape of ditch.



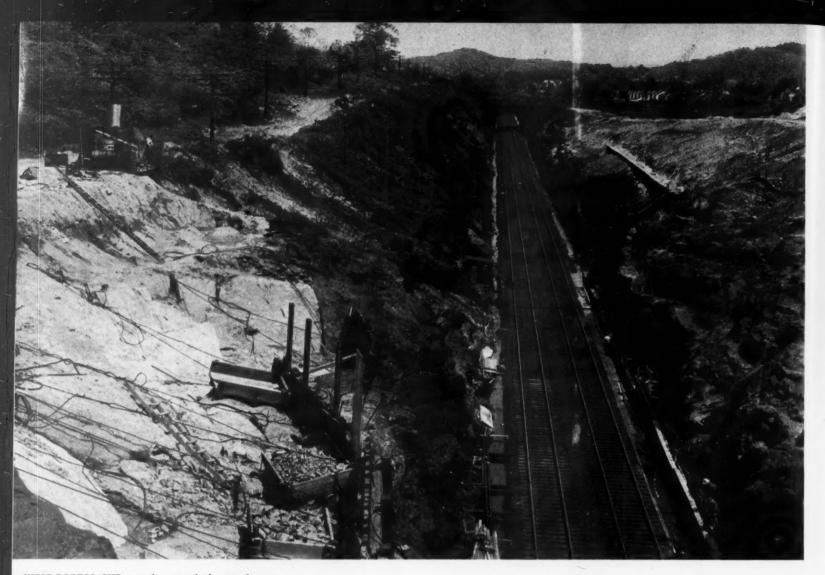
SEAL RINGS OF 102-IN. VALVES (above) in outlet tubes at Grand Coulee Dam are reconditioned by special machine designed and built on project. A 4½-in. hollow shaft, journaled in piece of 6-in. heavyduty pipe, is aligned accurately on center line of valve seat by two sets of radial screw-jacks set against lining of outlet tube. At end of a radial arm, attached to 4½-in. shaft and rotated twice a minute by air motor and worm gear, compound tool rest is mounted. Seal ring is first dressed with lathe tool in compound rest and is then finished with air-driven grinding wheel.

Bureau of Reclamation Photo



RIGID SEWER of vitrified pipe in concrete encasement reinforced with longitudinal bottom rods to prevent joint breaks caused by soil movements is constructed by T. A. Newman, contractor, Texas City, Tex., 3 to 10 ft. below water table in trench of water-quicksand kept dry with well-points and pumps by John W. Stang Corp., Houston, operating under separate contract. Sewer contractor builds 3,000 ft. of this type of concrete-encased pipe, designed by Joseph J. Rady, consulting engineer. Fort Worth, Tex. to meet regulrements of unstable location roughly parallel with Galveston Bay about 100 ft. from shoreline.





WEST PORTAL CUT reveals several phases of protective operations undertaken to make slopes safe against rock falls or slides. Behind temporary timber barricades on top of rock bank at left, hazardous rock broken loose without use of explosives is loaded into skips. Pneumatic tools for rock work receive air from diesel compressor in open shed at top of excavation. Next to westbound right, forms are in place for concrete walls to support rock face. On right bank, in middle distance is stone masonry wall built of excavated material to retain earth slope.

TIMBER BARRICADES (below) rest on I-beams spanning recesses in rock face. Beams and timber panels are tied back by steel cables to anchor rods embedded in holes drilled in hard rock. Removal of unsafe rock is made necessary by disintegration of seams of hardpan between layers of sound sandstone. Temporary timber barriers keep dislodged rock from rolling over bank and permit men to work in complete security.



## Safeguards MINIMIZE Ho

## In Removing Rock from RAILROAD CUTS

VIGILANT APPLICATION OF METHODS to prevent rock falls and maintain continuous operation of trains on the double-track main line of the New York, New Haven & Hartford R.R. is the controlling characteristic of work now being performed by C. W. Blakeslee & Sons, Inc., contractor, New Haven, Conn., in removing dangerous rock from steep banks of portal cuts at both ends of the Fair Haven tunnel, about 4 mi. east of the city. As a protective measure, to prevent falls of both rock and men down the precipitous slopes, special timber barricades are secured to the faces of the banks, just below the points where excavating crews are at work, by means of wire-rope cables tied to steel rods set in drilled holes in sound rock.

Use of explosives is prohibited, and hard rock designated

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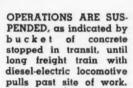


CONCRETE BUCKET hung from 80-it. boom of crane at top of bank discharges into space between panel forms and rock face, to which concrete wall is firmly anchored with steel dowels. Portable vibrators are used for internal vibration of concrete.



CONCRETE WALLS AND PIERS support steep rock faces and minimize disintegration, making banks safe at less cost than would be required for backsloping. Ample number of weep holes is provided through concrete for drainage of water from behind walls.

for removal is broken with pneumatic pavement breakers and jackhammer drills and with plugs and feathers. Where rock in the lower lifts can be adequately supported with concrete walls and piers, thus saving a large amount of excavation which otherwise would be necessary RAILROAD CUTS at two ends of tunnel are made safer by work done under direction of these men: (Left to right) WILLIAM H. RYAN, superintendent for this job, picking up where he left off 52 years ago, when he served as superintendent on one end of original tunnel contract; RAYMOND S. POWELSON, representing New York, New Haven & Hartford R.R.; and ALBERT D. BLAKE-SLEE, secretary, C. W. Blakeslee & Sons, Inc., contractor.





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in sloping back a bank from the bottom to the top, the railroad engineers direct construction of concrete work to a minimum thickness of 1 ft. All the concrete is anchored to hard rock by numerous steel dowels grouted in holes drilled at varied angles. Determination of the work to be performed on each section of bank is made only after the contractor's forces have exposed the underlying condition of the rock.

#### Limited Working Time

Work can be performed by the contractor's crews only when both tracks of the busy main line are clear. Railroad flagmen stationed at control offices near the two portals of the tunnel, at points from which both cuts can be observed, are in complete charge of working time. Advance information regarding train movement is telephoned to them from both directions, and they stop all activi-



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SAFETY OF OPERATIONS is criterion governing all work by contractor in removing
dangerous rock and protecting cut banks. Barricades are erected at
each point of excavation.
Hard sandstone is cut
away where disintegrated hardpan seams make
rock falls possible.

LARGE AIR RECEIVER provides greater flexibility in furnishing power to pneumatic tools from 105-cfm. compressor. At right is dump truck arriving on job to be loaded by crane.

ties as soon as each train comes into view. Signals are exchanged between these men to assure maximum protection and full utilization of all available working time.

After a train has passed, operations are not permitted to resume until smoke clears from the 1,200-ft. tunnel, again affording visibility both ways. Because of the heavy traffic, the contractor's operations are reduced as much as 15 min. per

hr. during some parts of the day. Two crews, one in each cut, work an 8-hr. day and a 45-hr. week, weather permitting. A shortage of workmen in the area prevents the contractor from building up the size of the crews. On a typical day recently, 22 men were at work in the two cuts.

Depth of the two rock cuts ranges up to 70 or 80 ft. at the tunnel portals. The cut west of the tunnel is 2,160 ft. long;

that to the east is 1,885 ft. in length. Banks of the cuts are predominantly rock, with earth overburden varying from zero to as much as 30 ft. in some pockets. East Haven hard red sandstone makes up the bulk of the rock formation, but this hard rock is interbedded with seams of hardpan, a shale-like material which weathers upon exposure, and is separated by vertical sections of trap rock, which also disintegrates upon exposure. On one side of the cuts, the seams incline downward toward the tracks, increasing the danger of falls by blocks of hard rock which might break off above weathered seams. Disintegration of the hardpan has progressed a considerable distance into the (Continued on page 180)

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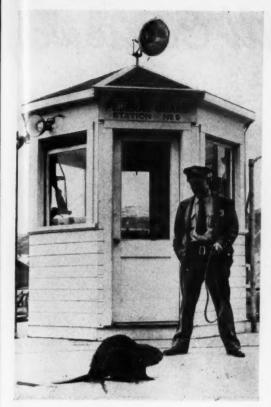
LIGHTER PANELS (below) sheathed with %-in. lumber fill out wings and upper tiers of this barricade. Heavy panels are tied back with wire-rope cables, and wing panel is fastened to anchor rod with twisted steel wire.



HEAVY-DUTY CLAMSHELL (below) handled by crane with 60-ft. boom takes bite out of overburden at top of bank above barricade. Spoil is loaded into dump truck.

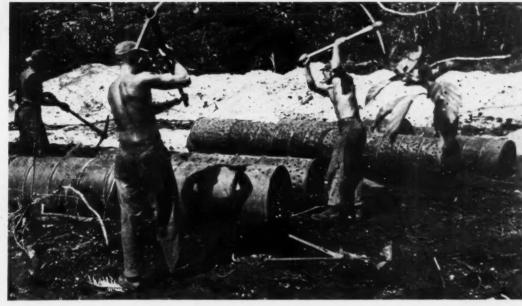


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WILD BEAVER inspects world's largest dam. This 30-lb. animal, who has himself earned reputation as dam builder, popped out of Washington's Columbia River, ambled across top of 4,173-ft. wall of Grand Coulee Dam until he met Harry Branton. Bureau of Reclamation Guard, and then plunged into lake.

Wide World Photo

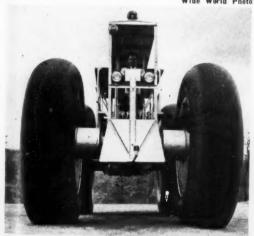
WITH PICKS Seabees at Pacific base perforate metal oil drums welded into sections for use in drainage system.

WOODEN REPLICA OF TANK (below) is examined by U. S. Marine. Dummy was set up on Okinawa by Japanese to lure American bombs and shellfire. U.S. Marine Corps Phote





Wide World Photo



TIRES 10 FT. HIGH are used on new marsh buggy for oil explorations in Central America and southern United States. Tires and wheels were made by Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. Hollow air-tight aluminum drums serve as wheels, providing added buoyancy for navigating streams and lakes as well as dry land and marsh. Maximum speed is 4 mph. in water and more than 20 mph. on land.



UPRAISED WINGS on monitor roof of 300x240-ft. forge building for Chevrolet Shell Division, St. Louis, are open-slot gravity ventilators of type manufactured by H. H. Robertson Co., Pittsburgh, providing stack action to exhaust rising warm air and gases. Equipped with hinged dampers to regulate draft through throat 10 ft. wide, ventilators are constructed of corrugated protected metal sheets on steel framing. Rest of steel-frame building is inclosed with corrugated asbestos cement sheets. Alport-Carlo Construction Co., St. Louis, erected superstructure above foundations put in by Dickle Construction Co., of same city, both contractors acting under direction of St. Louis, Mo., Engineer District Office, Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army.

# Hydraulic Fill Causeway REI



DISCHARGE PIPELINE from hydraulic dredge backfills canal formed by removal of muck and vegetable matter.

By W. VANCE BAISE

State Highway Engineer, North Carolina State Highway and Public Works Commission, Raleigh, N. C. HYDRAULIC PLACEMENT of a 1,000,-000-cu.yd. causeway fill by the R. C. Huffman Construction Corp., Norfolk, Va., for the State Highway and Public Works Commission is expected to cure one of North Carolina's oldest and costliest highway problems.

Since the day more than 40 years ago when the merchants of Elizabeth City, N. C., decided that the city should have a quicker and cheaper east approach than that afforded by a century-old ferry, the difficulties of improving and speeding up travel across the Pasquotank River and adjacent swamps have caused many headaches. Over this 40-year period the

Camden Ferry Co., organized by the merchants of Elizabeth City, attempted to construct a satisfactory road across what is locally known as Floating Goat's Island.

The ferry, used for moving traffic from the Goat Island toll road across the river to Elizabeth City, was replaced about 1910 by a narrow steel drawbridge with timber approaches. This bridge remained in use until 1931, when a modern bascule steel draw span with reinforced-concrete approaches was completed over the Pasquotank River at a cost of \$392,984.

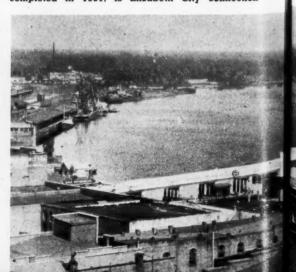
Toll Road Purchased by State—In 1921, the State Highway Commission pur-

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OLD FLOATING ROAD (below) near Elizabeth City, N. C., sank in places below natural water level of swamp over which it was built.



DRAWBRIDGE over Pasquotank River (below), completed in 1931, is Elizabeth City connection



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## REPLACES FLOATING ROAD



COMPLETED FILL at east end of project parallels old creosoted timber causeway, at left.

chased the toll road and made it part of the North Carolina state highway system. At present, the road is designated as U.S. Route 158. When purchased, it was the only highway connecting the Elizabeth City area with Camden and Currituck Counties (N. C.), and with Norfolk, Va. The roadway, consisting of a very shallow earth covering over a light timber causeway, surfaced with a layer of oyster shells, could accommodate only light traffic, at best, and was impassable for long periods of time. The service being inadequate, the State Highway Commission agreed to buy the road in order to improve it.

At that time, it was not considered feasible to fill in the swamp, as Goat Island offered no borrow material. As an alternative, engineers prepared an experimental design for a floating road to consist of a heavy log corduroy over the old road, covered with a thin, earth cushion supporting a reinforced-concrete pavement. Construction of this roadway started in July 1922, and was completed about 1 yr. later. During construction, the original design, which called for a pavement 16 ft. wide with 6-in. curbs, was found to be impracticable, and the design was changed to a pavement width of 17 ft., without curbs.

It was believed that the timber corduroy would furnish sufficient support to float the relatively light roadway section; but the arrangement proved unsatisfactory. By the time the job was completed, so much settlement had occurred that in several places normal water level was an inch or more above the surface of the pavement. The entire 2½-mi. length of roadway settled so much that by 1924 it became extremely difficult for traffic to get through when wind tides raised the water level above normal.

About 1/4 mi. of this road on the east end of the swamp, where the root mat

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with Floating Goat Island and new causeway. Structure was built at cost of \$392,984.

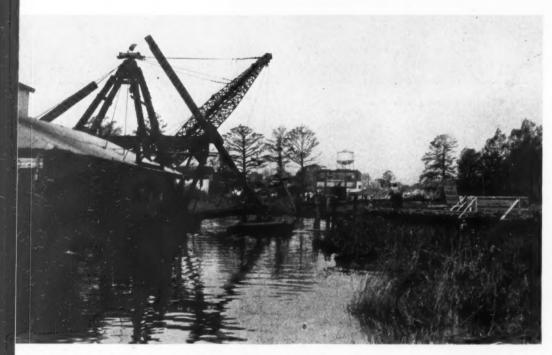
INUNDATED SECTIONS (below), built up by adding layer of slag, soon subsided and left sections of roadway in flooded condition. Piles along edges of roadway hold side boards in place.







WOODEN BULKHEADS hold hydraulic fill from overflowing on to old floating roadway, sections of which have sunk below water level of swamp.



FLOATING DRAGLINE removes root mat and section of old road, preparatory to dredging operation in which all soft material is removed to depths ranging from 15 to 40 ft.

CREOSOTED TIMBER CAUSEWAY (below) built over unsatisfactory slag sections carried traffic until damage caused by increased speeds and heavier wheel loads called for excessive maintenance.



was heaviest and muck did not exceed 15 ft., is still in service, even though it is covered with water for long periods of time.

#### Other Experiments Fail

During 1924 and 1925 the necessity for raising sections of the road became apparent. It was decided that by placing slag over the concrete pavement the necessary road surface elevation could be attained. The slag was held in place by boards nailed to timber piles driven on 10-ft. centers along each side of the pavement. Use of the piles as supports for a possible future concrete slab, in case settlement continued, was contemplated. Negative results observed after using this method to build up sections of roadway totaling about ½ mi. in length led to the conclusion that only temporary relief was being obtained and that other means of providing a more permanent type of road would have to be found.

#### Creosoted Timber Roadway Surface

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In 1926 it was decided to raise the elevation of the road by constructing a creosoted timber causeway with a 17-ft. roadway width, supported on the timber piles previously driven for the slag sections. Additional piles were driven along the sections of roadway which had not been treated with slag. The long span between piles on opposite sides of the roadway required the use of 14x16-in. timbers. Construction of the trestle was carried on intermittently by the bridge maintenance department from 1926 through 1931. At that time a continuous section of timber causeway had been completed for a distance of 2 mi. east of the Pasquotank River bridge.

The creosoted timber causeway was (Continued on page 184)

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No contractor ever tries to be his own dentist or his own shoemaker. It is even more dangerous for him to be his own lawyer. There are, however, some legal rules which every contractor should know, and these rules may be explained in plain English without resorting to the jargon of the law, unintelligible to most laymen.

This series of articles, dealing with the Legal Adventures of Tractor Conn, a typical contractor anywhere in the United States, explains some of these legal points in plain language for the contractor. Each one is based on an actual decision of an American

#### The Case of the Broken Tractor



Tractor Conn was behind time on the Ajax Arms contract and had managed to place an order for an extra tractor.

"Your tractor came in on the morning wayfreight. We'll go down to

the freight wharf now," the freight agent told him.

'What's she like, a pretty nice job?" Conn queried.

The agent did not commit himself, but pushed back the door

of the freight car and let Conn enter first.

"Say, what's this? An air raid?" Conn exploded. "This tractor's all smashed up. The magneto base is busted and there is a crack in the steering gear case I could shove my fist into. That bill of lading says you fellows got it in good shape. What are you going to do about it?"

"I'll agree it is broken, but all the breaks are old."

"Well, if you agree it's broken, I'll take it as is, and sue the railway for the cost of the necessary repairs," Tractor Conn

"You can't take it unless you sign the usual receipt saying the tractor is in good shape, except for an 'old break,' " the agent told him.

"I may be just a plain contractor, but I'm not that easy. I'm not going to take delivery of the tractor when the only way I can get it is to sign a paper that cuts me out of collecting damages. Keep it and I'll sue the railway for the full price," Conn threatened.

The freight agent stuck to his guns. So did Conn and the Supreme Court of Nebraska decided in his favor on the ground that the freight agent had no right to demand such a receipt and when the agent refused to deliver the tractor without it there was a "conversion" of the tractor by the railway.

"The age of the break was in dispute, and the refusal of the railway to deliver the tractor to Tractor Conn without a receipt from the latter admitting that the injury complained of was an 'old break' was unreasonable. In law, it amounted to a refusal to deliver the tractor upon demand, and entitled the consignee to recover it by replevin or to sue for its conversion and recover its value," said the Court.

#### The Case of the Engineer's Assistant



"The progress payment hereinafter specified shall be made upon the engineer's certificate that the work during the preceding month has been done according to the requirements of this contract," clause 11 of a certain contract specified. At the end of the third month Tractor Conn presented himself at the engineer's office and found the assistant in charge.

"Here's your monthly certificate,"

the assistant announced, signed the typewritten sheet, and flipped it across the desk. Conn presented it to the owner and demanded payment.

"That's all right, but money is mighty scarce right now. Would you mind waiting until the first of next week?" the

owner queried.

"That will be satisfactory, but I'll have to pay my help not later than Wednesday," Conn explained. Next week arrived, the owner still failed to pay, and Tractor Conn sued in the New York Courts.

"No engineer's certificate was presented as called for by the contract," was the owner's defense. "An assistant's certificate

doesn't fill the bill."

When the owner accepted the assistant's certificate without making any objection on that ground and promised to pay, he waived the requirements of the contract and it's too late to raise the point now," Conn's lawyer contended. The New York Supreme Court upheld this contention in the case of McEntyre vs Tucker, 31 N.Y.S. 672.

#### The Case of the Disputed Consideration

Tractor Conn had sublet the foundation work of a certain building to Smith, Smith sublet the excavating to Jones, Smith failed to make progress payments as agreed, and Jones stopped work.

"You go ahead and I'll pay you 3c. a yard extra," Conn promised. Jones completed the work and sued Conn for the additional compensation.

"There was no consideration for my promise, as you were bound to do the work according to your contract with Smith,"

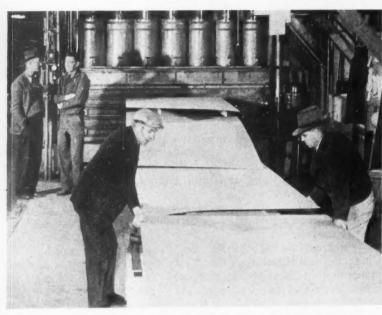
Conn argued.

"When I agreed to finish the work in spite of Smith's failure to pay as agreed, and you got the benefit of it, that was a sufficient consideration," Jones retorted, and the Minnesota Courts ruled in his favor (in Grant vs Duluth, 63 N.W. 1026). The West Virginia Courts have arrived at the same conclusion.

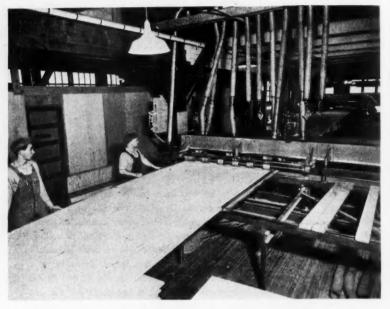
> More Legal Adventures of **Tractor Conn Next Month**

## Oversize Plywood Offers New Possibilities for

## POST-WAR CONSTRUCTION

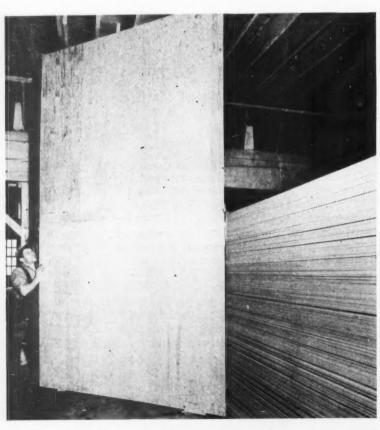


SEGMENTS OF PLYWOOD are joined on conveyor table and moved into four-opening hot press which applies both heat and pressure to set adhesives. Panels joined in this manner are limited only by shipping space, Harbor Plywood Corp. Photo



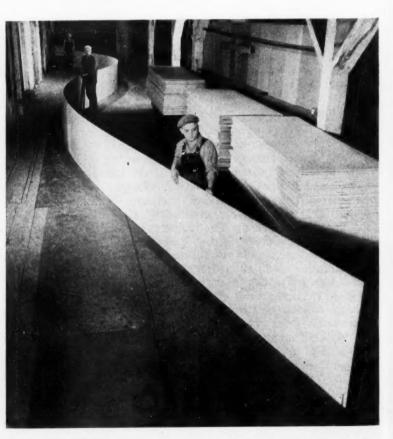
40-FT. PANEL, scarf-jointed with waterproof phenolic resin glue, is precision trimmed (foregound) and sanded to exact thickness and satin smoothness (background) in straight-line production system.

M&M Wood Working Company Photo



FINISHED PANEL, 8 ft. wide and 14 ft. long is ready for use as entire floor for truck or trailer. Jumbo size panels have been made possible by newly protected techniques in scarf-jointing.

M&M Wood Working Company Photo



FLEXIBILITY OF PANEL 78 ft. long and 3 ft. wide is demonstrated by bending into S-shape. Although readily bent, this panel when in place contributes considerable rigidity to structure.

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PREPARING BEVEL for scarf-joint in seven-ply plywood panel, inspector checks accuracy of milled surface. Dark streaks are glue lines between plies; different shading of alternate plies is due to opposite grain direction.

Harbor Plywood Corp. Photo



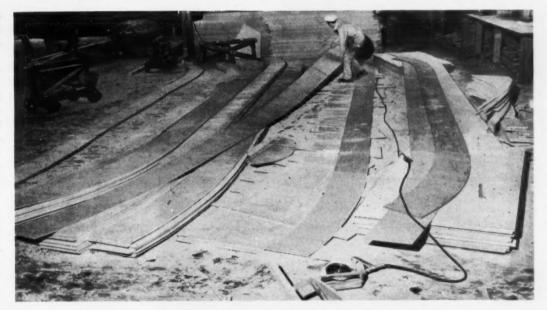
PLYWOOD DECK of tug in Toledo, Ore., plant of C. D. Johnson Lumber Corp., has single seam, barely visible down center. Square cutout for hold has been fitted back into deck.

ONE WAR-TIME BUILDING DEVELOP-MENT destined to have a definite effect on future construction methods is the widespread utilization of oversize plywood—both extra long panels and extra thick plates—in various types of military huts, warehouses, hangars, and in small boat construction. The urgent need for speed in construction, the demand for added strength with a minimum of material, and the design of new types of military structures have combined to focus attention on the capabilities of panels as large as 50 ft. in length by 9 ft. in width.

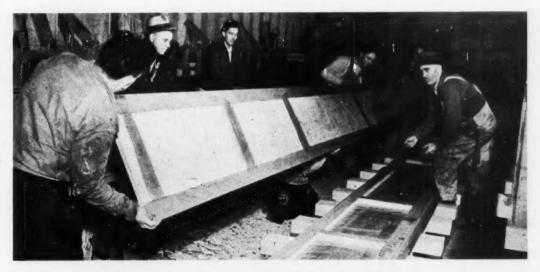
Builders of thousands of arch-roof Army huts and barracks have relied upon the elongated plywood sheets to simplify construction work and save many man-hours of labor. Extreme economies in time have been gained in boat yards by using the giant panels for decks, planking and bulkheads of many types of military craft. Similarly, thick plywood plates have been widely used for gussets and other connectors in large wood-truss structures for manufacturing plants, supply depots, warehouses and shipyards. In boat and barge construction, plywood plates for knees, braces and connecting members have become standard in many yards.

Oversize plywood is not entirely new as both the big sheets and thick panels have been manufactured for several years. However, prior to the war, use of the material was limited both in quantity employed and diversification of its application. With war needs creating, almost overnight, heavy demands for jumbo-size plywood, the manufacturers have perfected their techniques of scarf-jointing standard size panels into long sheets—the length of which is limited only by shipping space—and have increased sharply their production capacity.

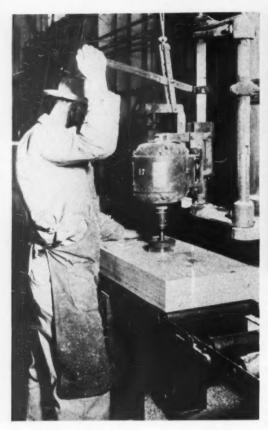
Of the 31 Douglas fir plywood factories, three are now manufacturing longlength panels with a combined capacity

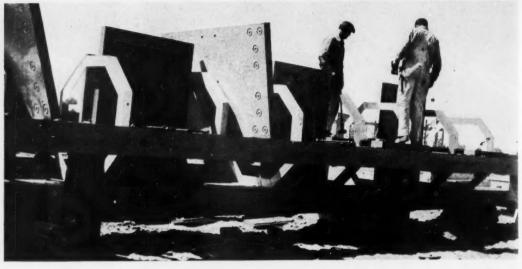


GRAIN OF FACE PLIES in these 32-ft. panels for boat construction runs long way of panel until curve at either end is reached, at which point grain is changed to run at right angles to principal axis. Bending to desired rounded ends is thus simplified.



PLYWOOD I-BEAM, held by men, consists of continuous scarf-jointed panel web and ordinary lumber for flanges. Beam tested to failure at University of Washington failed in flanges.





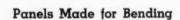
PLYWOOD GUSSETS 31/2 ft. wide, 8 ft. long and 3 in. thick, of 29-ply exterior plywood, served as connectors for 104-ft. high wood posts in pre-war construction of Colonnade of States building at Golden Gate International Exposition.
Harbor Plywood Corp. Photo

MACHINING of 4-in. exterior fir plywood gusset is simple operation using ordinary wood-working tools. Better-fitting timber connectors in split-proof plywood gusset makes sturdier wooden structures.

M&M Wood Working Company Photo

of about a million square feet a month (surface measure) of the extra large sheets. Virtually all of these sheets are of the exterior (waterproof) type. The firms are M&M Wood Working Co. of Portland, Ore.; Harbor Plywood Corp. of Hoquiam, Wash., and United States Plywood Corp. of Seattle, Wash.

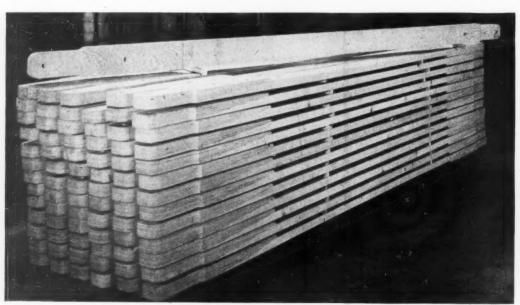
Panels are produced in many thicknesses ranging from 3/16 to 1 7/16 in. While many of them are the full 50-ft. length, which is the maximum for shipment in large, end-loading box cars, much of the output is in panels from 20 to 35 ft. long. Generally speaking, standard size Douglas fir plywood is 4x8 ft.; some factories produce panels of 10, 12, 14 and 16 ft. without scarf-jointing, the dimension of factory machinery dictating the size of the panel produced.



Dependent upon the ultimate use, the elongated sheets are manufactured with grain of the face plies parallel with either the long or short dimension. Particularly in the thinner sheets, the direction of grain of the faces affects materially the minimum radii to which the panels can be bent. For instance, in using



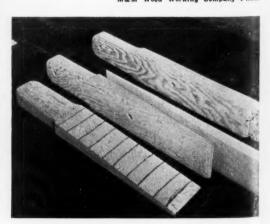
**HEAVY GUSSETS** made of lumber cores with plywood facing, both sides, go into invasion barges built by Barr Lumber Co. at Santa Ana, Calif. Barges are shipped knocked down.



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STRINGERS used in Army ponton bridge construction are composite of ordinary lumber and split proof plywood ends. Plywood stringer ends (below) in various stages of assembly in preparation of scarf joint.

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a long sheet for the curved roof of an Army hut the desired arc is attained more readily if the grain of the two outside plies of a three-ply panel is at right angles to the curve.

Newest advancement in the manufacture of the oversize sheets is the joining of segments so as to facilitate maximum curvature in one or more locations in the panel. This is accomplished by arranging the individual sections (during manufacture) so that in the part of the panel where greatest bending is desired. it will occur at right angles to the grain of the face plies of the panel. The longlength panels manufactured for building a certain design of military boats constitute a notable example. In the center two thirds of the 32-ft. panels, the wood grain of the face plies is parallel with the length of the boat; end sections of the panel-to form the bow and stern of the boats-are joined so the grain in face plies of the plywood is almost at right angles to that in the center of the oversize sheet, as shown by one of the photographs.

Giant panels of this construction (Continued on page 188)

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TRUSSES of moderate-size building utilize plywood fishplates and gussets.

Harber Plywood Corp. Photo

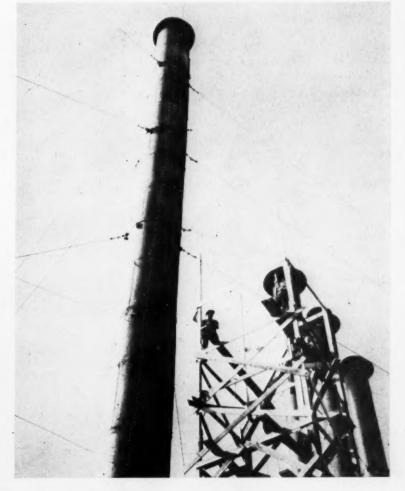
### Boiler Stack Erection SPEEDED BY ARC-WELDING

**ALL-WELDED CONSTRUCTION** cut 33 per cent the time required for building two boiler stacks at a large southern manufacturing plant. Each 150 ft. high and 5 ft. in diameter, they were built in 5-ft. sections weighing approximately 850 lb. each, fabricated from low-carbon, ¼-in. steel sheets.

For the first 100 ft. of installation, two sections were welded together in the shop, then erected as a single unit and welded in position. To simplify handling operations during the last 50 ft., each 5-ft. section was mounted separately. All joints were fillet welded, with approximately 1,200 lb. of 3/16-in. Type W-22 electrodes used on both stacks. General Electric 300-amp. motor-driven d.c. welders were used for all shop welding, and 300-amp. engine-driven d.c. welders for all field work. Contractors were E. McLaughlin & Sons, of Richmond, Va.; Arcway Equipment Co. supplied the welding equipment.



FILLET ARC-WELDING joins 5-ft. sections of  $^{1}\!4$ -in.-thick, low-carbon steel sheets in 150-ft. boiler stack at southern manufacturing plant.



TWO 5-FT. STEEL SECTIONS are welded together in shop and erected as unit to form part of first 100 ft. of boiler stack.

## Marine Railway

### SPEEDS SHIP REPAIR WORK



A MARINE RAILWAY covering 14½ acres, erected by the Navy at the Commercial Iron Works, Portland, Ore., is scheduled for an important part in the accelerated repair activity of west coast shipyards as the war in the Pacific increases in tempo. These facilities, situated on the banks of the Willamette River, can service vessels up to 400 ft. in length and 3,000 tons dead weight.

#### Quantities of Materials Used

Construction of the railway required the use of 20,000 lin. ft. of steel rail; 800,000 b.ft of timbers ranging up to 18 x 18-in. sections and 52-ft. lengths; 2,534 piles as support for the inclined rail system, including underwater portions; 10,-000 ft. of 100-lb. per ft., 5%-in. steel chain for hauling cradles, shunts and transfers; and 8,600 ft. of chain for back haul.

#### How Railway Operates

Twelve pairs of tracks, on which the cradles ride, extend 329 ft. into the river, the outer ends reaching a depth of 40 ft. below mean low tide. Power for hauling ships up the incline is furnished by three electric motors of 200 hp. each. Five speeds are available for the in-haul and three for lowering.

Vessels in need of repair are placed in cradles and hauled up the incline as far as the head wall at which point they are moved on to level transfer tracks in the shunt area. Limit switches automatically stop the cradles as the edge of the head wall is reached. The shunt area is 327.5 ft. wide by 315 ft. deep (from head wall to rear edge of area). Each of the transfer tracks in the shunt area is 275 ft. long and the carriages for the tracks are 36 ft. wide. Most of the repair work is done on the transfer tracks in the shunt area, but a small amount can be performed while vessels are on the cradles at the head wall.

IN SHUNT AREA, cradles are removed from inclined railway to transfer tracks. Vessels of 400-ft. length and 3,000 deadweight tons can be handled by these facilities.



CRADLE READY FOR TRIP down marine railway in Portland, Ore., shipyard, will pick up vessel in need of repairs. Heavy chains for hauling cradles

up incline can be seen; light chains are used for back-haul. Inclined tracks, including under-water portions, are supported by 2,534 piles.

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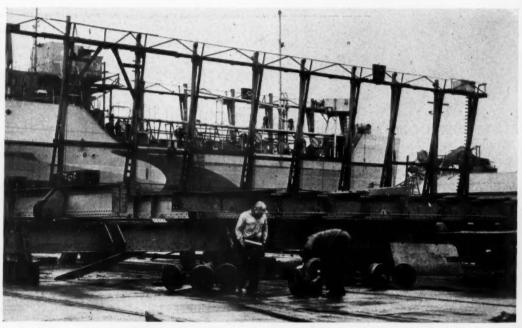
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STRUCTURAL STEEL CARRIAGE for shunting vessels to other parts of repair yard is being assem-

bled here. Large naval vessel looms in background. Most repair work is done on transfer tracks.



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PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE will advise with Major General Philip B. Fleming, administrator, Federal Works Agency, on post-war public works needs. Among members are (left to right, seated): F. STUART FITZPATRICK, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, committee secretary; E. LAWRENCE CHANDLER, American Society of Civil Engineers, committee chairman; COL. WILLIAM N. CAREY, who acted as contact between committee and General Fleming until leaving FWA on June 1; (standing) EARL MALLERY, American Municipal Association; MAJOR EDMUND R. PURVES, American Institute of Architects; S. LOGAN KERR, American Society of Mechanical Engineers; H. E. FOREMAN, Associated General Contractors of America; FREDERIC BASS, American Public Works Association; J. W. FOLLIN, Producers' Council, Inc.; B. E. CRIHFIELD, alternate for Frank Bain, Council of State Governments; and R. J. GRAY, Building and Construction Trades Department, American Federation of Labor. Not shown are Paul Betters, U.S. Conference of Mayors, and Hal H. Hale, American Association of State Highway Officials.



NEW ASSISTANT EDITOR OF "Construction Methods" is DONALD D. KING, former technical editor of "Aviation Engineer Notes" for Army Air Forces at Washington, D. C. Mr. King, who holds degree of B.S. in C.E. from Iowa State College, served for 13 years with American Society of Civil Engineers as assistant editor of "Civil Engineering." He has also been associated with U.S. Engineer Office in Milwaukee, Wis., and Truscon Steel Co.



ELECTED PRESIDENT of New York State Highway Chapter, Inc., Associated General Contractors of America, is WILLIAM H. PECKHAM, of White Plains. He is president of Cold Mix, Inc.; Catskill Mountain Stone Corp.; Westchester Asphalt Distributing Corp.; and Peckham Road Corp.

NEW SECRETARY of American Society of Civil Engineers is COL. WILLIAM N. CAREY, former consulting engineer of St. Paul, Minn. Until June 1 he was on active military duty serving as chief engineer of Federal Works Agency. Colonel Carey succeeds the late George T. Seabury as A.S.C.E. secretary.



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UNDERWATER SURVEY AND SALVAGE will be handled by newly organized firm of J. I. Tooker & Sons, consultants, with headquarters on Staten Island, New York. CAPT. TOOKER (below), formerly superintendent of marine salvage for Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp., was in charge of salvage for sunken French liner "Normandie."

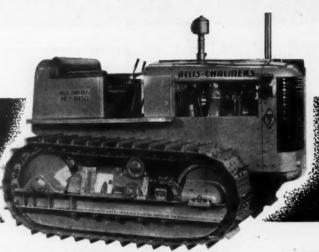
ELECTED CHAIRMAN of newly organized Construction Machinery Manufacturers' Industry Advisory Committee of Office of Price Administration is W. B. GREENE (below), vice-president and treasurer, Barber-Greene Co., Aurora, Ill. Committee was appointed by OPA to serve as clearing house for industry, to help crystallize industry pricing problems.

HIGHWAY CONTRACTORS' DIVISION of American Road Builders' Association is headed by BURTON F. MILLER (below) as managing director. Mr. Miller has been with A.R.B.A. for 9 years and since 1940 has acted as executive assistant to Charles M. Upham, engineer-director.









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# MEAN ECONOMY

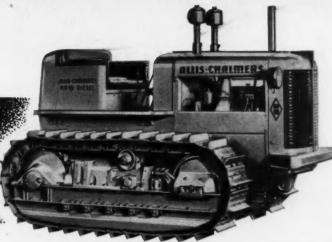
Size up the job, then apply the right tractor power. In many cases smaller Diesels will handle the work as efficiently as larger models, at considerable savings.

Either the Allis-Chalmers HD-7 or HD-10 may be used for bulldozing, pulling graders, clearing or moving heavy machinery, depending on conditions . . . also with suitable 2- or 4-wheel scrapers or for pushing larger scrapers.

Use power to fit the job. Get your money's worth from your tractors. A well-balanced line of HD-7's, HD-10's and HD-14's is the answer to lower cost construction. Let your Allis-Chalmers dealer help you power your job right!



- 1 Medium capacity 4-wheel scrapers are easily handled by the HD-10.
- 2 Plenty of digging power HD-7 handled all grading on this cut.
- 3 Big stumps and trees are quickly cleared with the HD-7.
- 4 Here is economy. Work both ends of your HD-7



ON MANY JOBS



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ONE-TRIP PROCESSING by self-powered stabilizer leaves uniform soil-cement mixture in loose, fluffed condition for full-depth compaction by tamping feet of sheepsfoot roller. Processing operations performed by self-contained machine involve pulverizing, blending, spraying and thorough mixing by twin pug-mill mixer. Added water applied by spray bars of stabilizer is drawn from tank truck pushed ahead of machine.

## Single-Pass Stabilizing Machine

#### IMPROVES PROCESSING OF SOIL ROADS

**DEVELOPED AS A POST-WAR PRODUCT** to meet specific needs, a self-contained stabilizing machine for complete, accurately controlled processing of soil roads has obtained notably creditable results on two Texas jobs where binder admixtures of different types were incorporated in the soil mixtures. One project added portland cement to the soil, and the other coated the soil particles with RC-2 cutback asphalt. Hansen & Galbreth, contractors, Cleburne, Tex., built the soil-

cement project for the state highway department, using sandy loam material obtainable at the site. The soil-asphalt job was constructed with sandy loam containing a large percentage of fines by state highway forces under the direction of M. E. Savage, resident engineer at Corsicana.

Several functions are combined in the single-pass stabilizer, used on these jobs, to make it a complete processing unit. As built by the Harnischfeger Corp., the self-propelled machine

performs the operations of a rotary tiller, liquid spray-bar distributor, and twin pug-mill mixer. A special feature of the mechanical design causes the sprayed liquid to be applied to the soil particles while the particles are dispersed in the air. Other features provide accurate control of processing to precise grade and thorough mixing to produce uniform distribution of soil particles throughout the processed mass, which is left in a fluffed condition susceptible to effective compacting.

By virtue of the series of integrated processing operations (pulverizing, blend-(Continued on page 172)



SOIL-ASPHALT MIXTURE of uniform gradation and binder content is completely processed and struck off at proper depth for compaction on 8-ft. strip of Texas road in one trip of single-pass stabilizer. Two individually controlled spray bars in stabilizer provide flexibility in application of liquids.

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# STEADY JOBS and EQUIPMENT BUYING

SUSTAINED employment is not an attainable goal unless we can moderate the erratic fluctuations which have characterized the markets for producers' equipment in past periods.

In the 35th editorial of this series, "Sustained Construction Activity", it was pointed out that there is no specific that can cure our economy of its "boom-or-bust" proclivities. Rejecting the notion that the construction industry could be so managed as to stabilize business as a whole, that editorial stressed the important contribution it could make to that end, and suggested several practical expedients through which construction activity might be regularized.

Producers' equipment represents an area of production quite as broad and diverse as construction, though smaller in aggregate value. The classification embraces all types of durable equipment bought and used for profit—locomotives, motor trucks, electric generators, conveyors, machine tools, farm implements, and so on down to surgical instruments and

dentists' drills.

Although the output of such equipment averages over a long period only 5 or 6 per cent of the nation's total output, it resembles construction in its extraordinary ups and downs. While its component items differ widely in the amplitude and violence of their fluctuations, the class as a whole is one of the most unstable sectors of the economy, making therefore a quite disproportionate contribution to the cyclical swings of total production and employment. From 1929 to 1932, for example, the decline in the output of producers' equipment (at constant prices) was 65-70 per cent, in contrast to a decline of 25-30 per cent in the national output exclusive of such equipment and construction.

A more recent example of the volatility of demand in this field may be found in the movement of a monthly index of orders for industrial equipment, which rose from 92 in the spring of 1936 to 160 in the spring of 1937, falling thence to 65 in the summer of 1938 and rising again to 142 in the fall of 1939. Such fantastic oscillations present an obvious and inescapable challenge to all concerned with eco-

nomic stabilization.

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Not only are these fluctuations bad for the economy; they represent demonstrably bad buying policy on the part of the purchasers of equipment. Peaks in demand come characteristically just before a business depression (1919, 1929, and 1937, for example)

when machinery costs the most to buy and install and when it has the lowest expectancy of continuous use. At exactly the wrong moment everyone wants to buy. In the depression itself, on the other hand, with costs down, and with nowhere for the economy to go but up, equipment is a drug on the market. No one wants it when it is cheap and has the greatest prospect for steady employment. Here is a behavior pattern so profoundly irrational there must be hope for its correction.

There is an inveterate tendency for business management to forecast the future simply by projecting the trends of immediate past. Although it is axiomatic that the chance for an extended period of further prosperity is inversely related to the duration of the prosperity already experienced, this truism is generally ignored. The longer the boom has run, the more certain is business management that it will continue indefinitely. Convinced at last by "actual experience" that prosperity is here to stay, executives give the green light to commitments for expansion and modernization previously deferred in a skeptical attitude of "wait and see". The result, so often repeated in our economic history, is an explosive burst of demand for equipment coincident with, and contributing to, the final spasm of a boom. Witness the phenomenal rise in industrial equipment orders during 1928 and the spring of 1929.

The same prophetic illusion works in reverse during a depression. Recent experience is projected into the future. Although the mathematical probability of an imminent and prolonged period of prosperity increases directly with the duration of a depression, it finds little reflection in business decisions. Timidity and caution are the order of the day.

Compounding the errors caused by faulty perspective, are a number of influences which make it extremely difficult for individual enterprises to follow a policy geared to sensible long-term considerations. In a boom, particularly in its climactic phase, most producers find their order books crowded beyond the potential of their current capacities and are faced with the alternatives of expanding or losing trade to competitors. In depression the situation is reversed, and producers with unused facilities find it difficult to justify increases in their capital charges.

An even more controlling factor in many cases is the availability of funds. This is especially important (Continued on page 104)

### PLASTIC CONCRETE pumped through pipe line from plant on shore is deposited in forms for top lift of Panama seawall.

DUMP TRUCK (below) backing over previously completed base transports 1.725-cu. yd. load to section being concreted during 3-hr. interval between

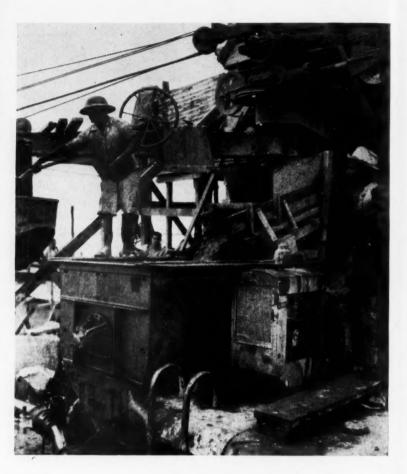
MIXED CONCRETE is discharged into hopper of Pumpcrete at one end of seawall for delivery through pipe line to forms.

ADVANCING in foreground is FRANCISCO M O R A L E S , contractor and engineer, followed by his son, FRAN-CISCO MORALES, JR., project engineer.



# Fast Work From Two Ends

Completes Seawall in Short Time



BY BUILDING OUTWARD from the shores at both ends and speeding form erection and concrete delivery during brief periods of low tide, Francisco Morales, contractor and engineer, completed a concrete gravity-type seawall 1,532 ft. long across part of Panama Bay, on the Pacific side of the Republic of Panama, in 99 days, beating a 130-day contract time limit by a full month. The wall, curved on the sea face to deflect waves, has a base width on rock of 11.8 ft., a height ranging from about 14.75 to 19 ft., and a top width of 4.9 ft. Concrete containing Lone Star high-early-strength cement and Pozzolith admixture (for greater plasticity) was pumped from one shore by pipe line and was delivered by truck from the other. Wall masonry is cyclopean, one-man stone being placed in all the concrete to make up about 10 percent of the mass.

Construction of the wall was carried up in three lifts. For the base lift, 2 to 3 ft. of muck had to be removed by clamshell or by hand to uncover hard rock. As only 3

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## This Trade-Mark Means "Made By The Timken Roller Bearing Company" Wherever you find it-on tapered roller bearings; alloy steel; seamless steel tubing; or rock drilling bits; it identifies a genuine Timken product with all that this implies—superior quality, performance and endurance. These inherent advantages are not visible; they are revealed only in service, but you can be sure of getting them in . full by making sure that the trade-mark "TIMKEN" is on every tapered roller bearing, every bar of alloy steel, every seamless steel tube and every rock bit you buy. THE TIMKEN ROLLER BEARING COMPANY, CANTON 6, OHIO

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for small concerns. Typically such firms enjoy but limited credit, and with no ready access to the securities markets, their capital expenditures depend primarily on earnings. When they are making money, they can afford to buy equipment; when they are losing, they largely disappear from the equipment market. Even great enterprises, though less dependent on earnings as a source of capital financing, are profoundly influenced by the volume of internal funds available for the purpose, a volume as a rule far greater in prosperity than in depression. Moreover, it is usually easier in good times to obtain outside funds through the sale of stock or by borrowing, since in bad times bankers, underwriters, and investors are susceptible to the same timidity and caution that afflict business management generally.

We are dealing here with a combination of psychological, physical, and financial forces which conspire to aggravate the instability of demand for capital equipment. What can be done to reduce this instability and thus to bring equipment purchasing into a more sensible and constructive pattern?

There is no panacea, no royal road to the solution. The problem has been with us since the beginning of the industrial economy. It is complex and difficult. It is not, however, wholly intractable. We may reasonably hope that industry will, through intelligent effort, make substantial progress toward a satisfactory solution. The industrial equipment field is one in which government, except for war periods, has exerted little direct control. The best insurance against the institution of government measures is to so conduct activities in the equipment field that no justification for government interposition can be made.

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1. The first and most important step is for industry itself to reconsider its heretofore haphazard and opportunistic policy in the purchase of equipment, substituting so far as possible a regularized, long-range programming of expenditure that will resist both the excited long-buying of booms and the equally disturbing underbuying of depressions. Such long-range programming is particularly appropriate and advantageous for large enterprises in established industries such as railroads, electric power, steel, automobiles, and the like, but it makes sense much more generally.

Once executives come to realize that a reasonably stable equipment program contributes not only to the welfare of the economy but also to the lowering of their long-run equipment costs, the opportunity to combine a public service with private advantage should induce them to recast their policies accordingly.

There is an even more compelling reason for purchasers of industrial equipment to do everything possible to regularize their demands. Some concerns unquestionably will find themselves in a postwar position where speedy delivery of needed equipment, even though it involves the payment of premium prices, will seem to be justified. But there is no system of accounting that can show it to be a profitable transaction to promote an equipment industry boom that runs a brief

course only to collapse when the backlog of deferred maintenance and development has been satisfied. That, historically, has been the trigger which trips the door to the depression phase of the business cycle. No immediate advantage can compensate for the contagious paralysis that infects all business enterprise when major layoffs occur in any major segment. No precautionary measures, self-imposed by business, can be regarded as unduly severe if they can prevent this devastating blight.

2. Financial agencies can and should play a responsible role in regularizing equipment demand. Funds for the purchase of producers' equipment should be offered boldly and at low interest during depression periods, and should progressively tighten as a boom market bids up the price of purchase and installation. Banks and financial houses have excellent facilities for gathering and interpreting market and general economic information. It is good business for them, and for the national economy, to exercise their accepted discretions in a manner that will help to promote economic stability.

3. There now is almost universal recognition of the need for a thorough-going revision of our corporate tax structure to the end that effective incentives may be offered for private capital investment. The possibility of including provisions which would offer special tax concessions to equipment investments made in depres-

sion periods is worthy of intensive exploration.

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The fundamental problem here is educational. If all business enterprises in a position to do so were to regularize their equipment expenditures, it would have a tremendously beneficial effect. True, it would accomplish no miracles. For many concerns it is not feasible to schedule equipment buying over a long period. Even those who do schedule it are likely in practice to attain only a relative stability. It must be acknowledged, moreover, that few programs could withstand indefinitely a very deep and prolonged depression such as we had in the thirties. Nevertheless the adoption of stabilization policies where feasible would make a signal contribution both to the restraint of booms and to the mitigation of depressions. Here is something industry can do for itself.

It is easy to disparage such remedies for economic instability as are here proposed on the ground that they are partial only. However, joined with others also partial, they can achieve in combination a solid progress toward the goal of sustained high level employment—progress that is unattainable through economic cure-alls. The road suggested is a slow road, and difficult, but it leads upward.

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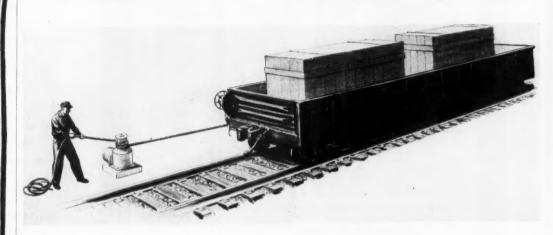


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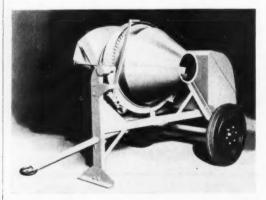


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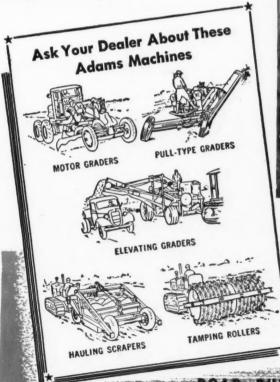
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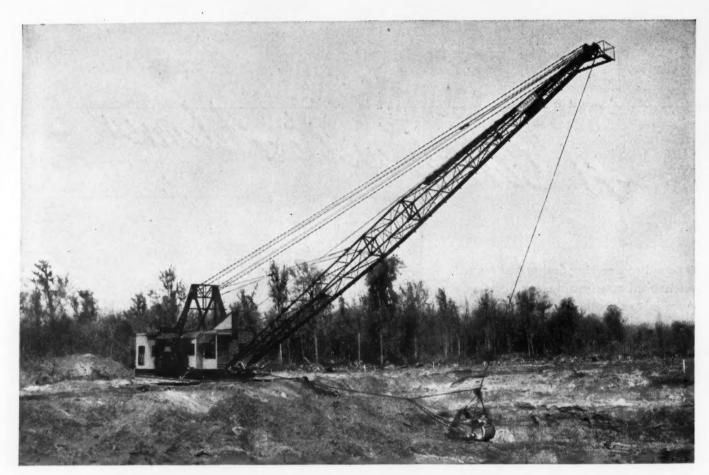




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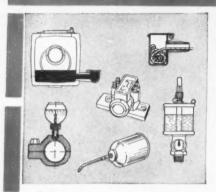
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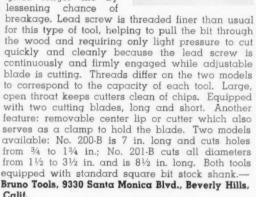
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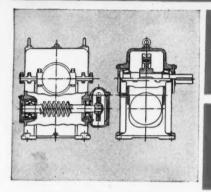
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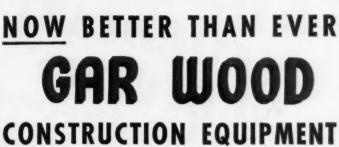
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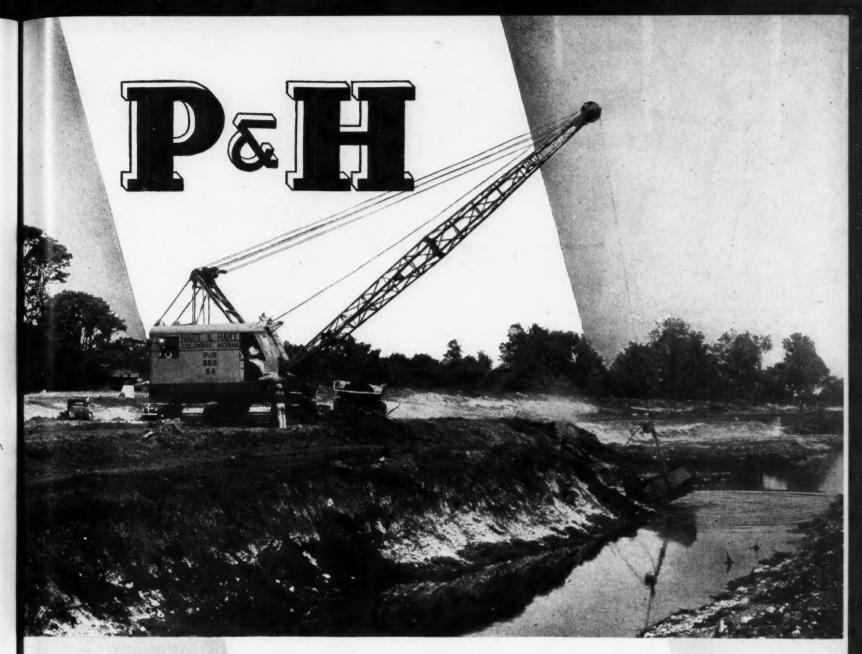
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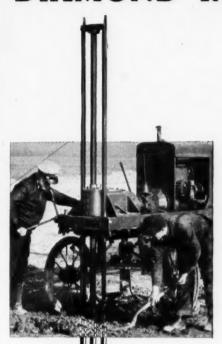


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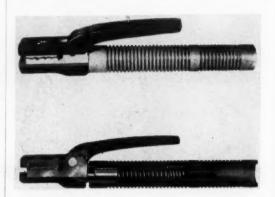
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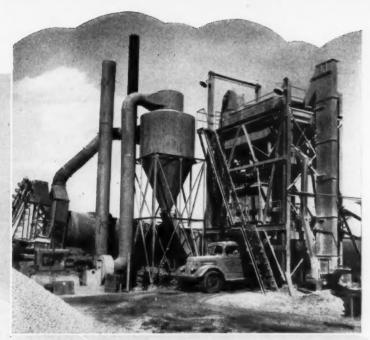
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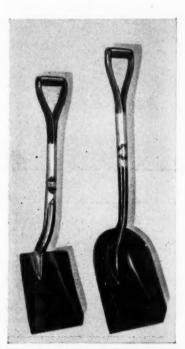


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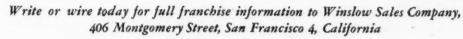
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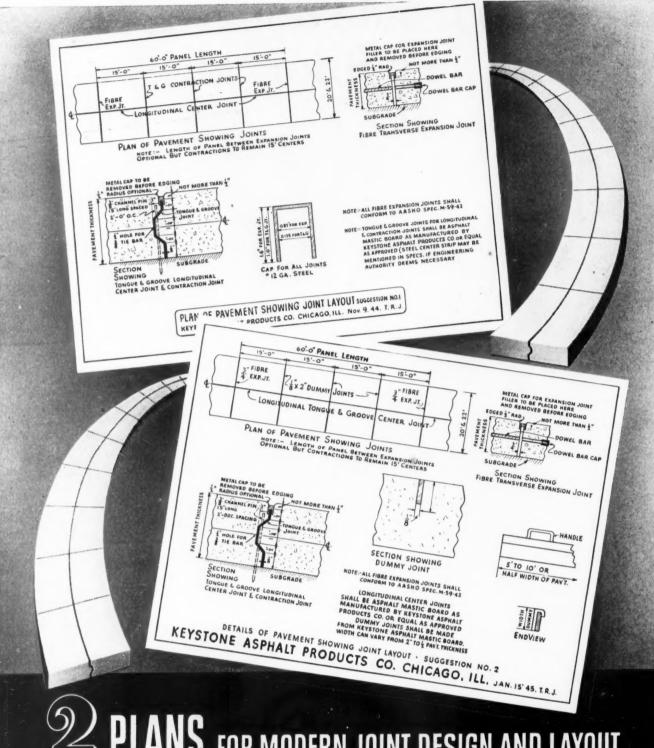
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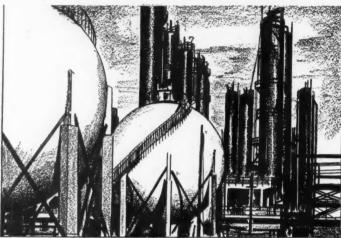
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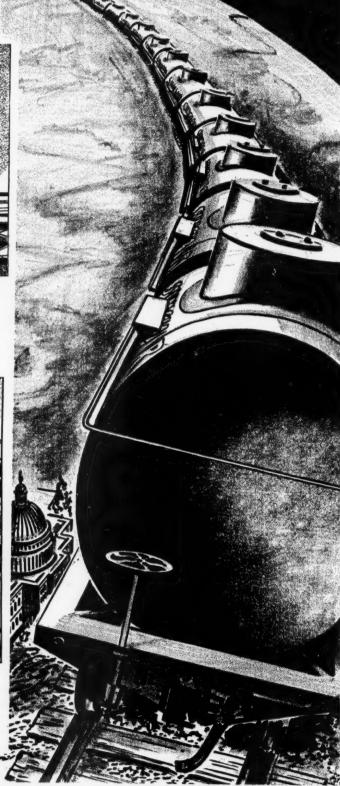
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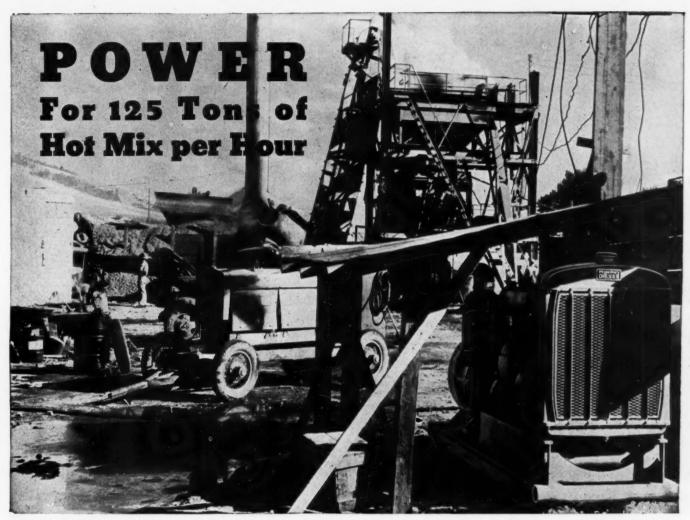
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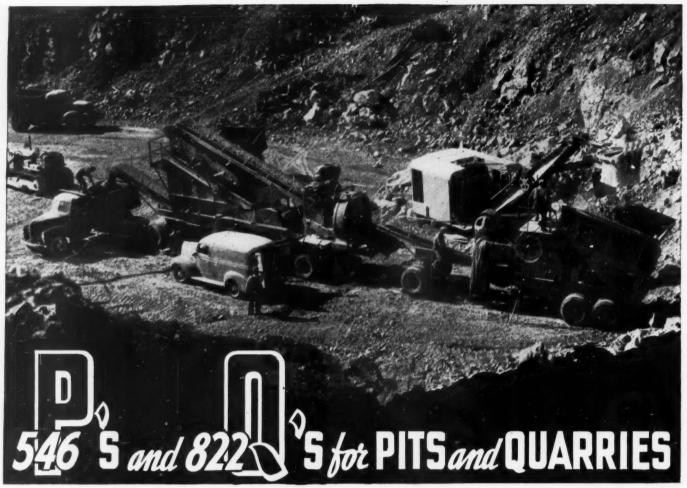
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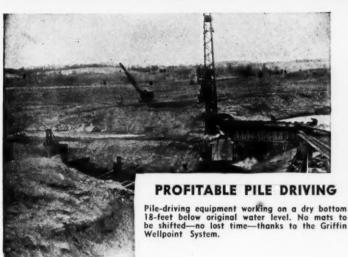
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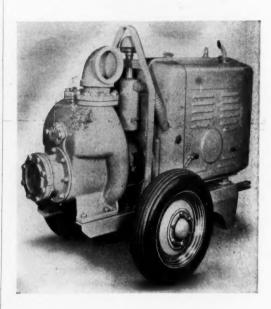
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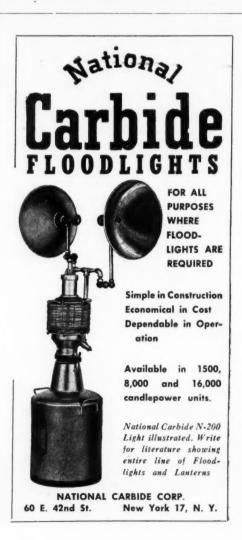
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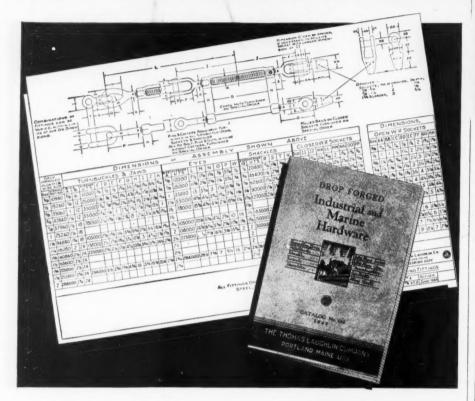
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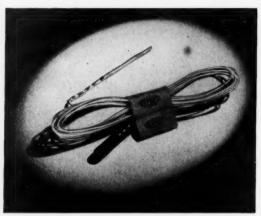




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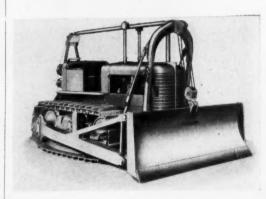
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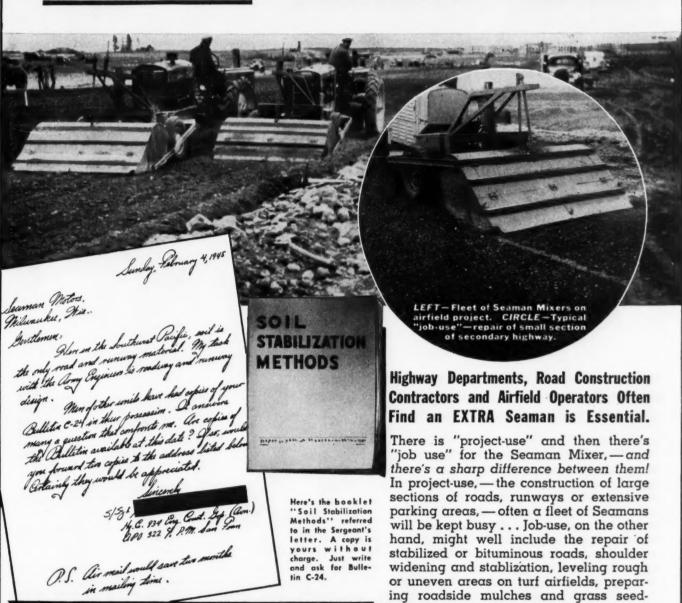
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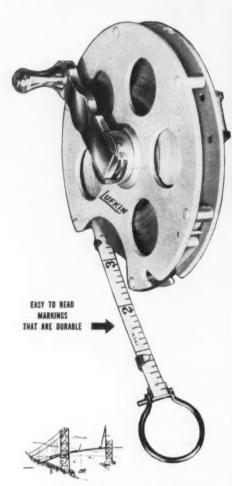
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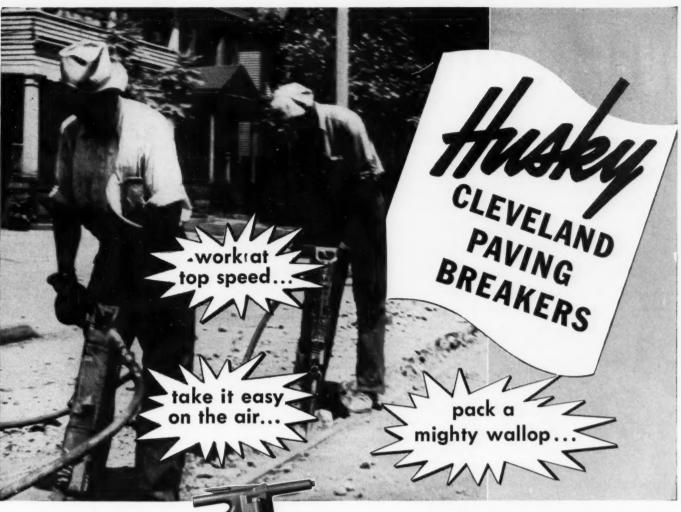
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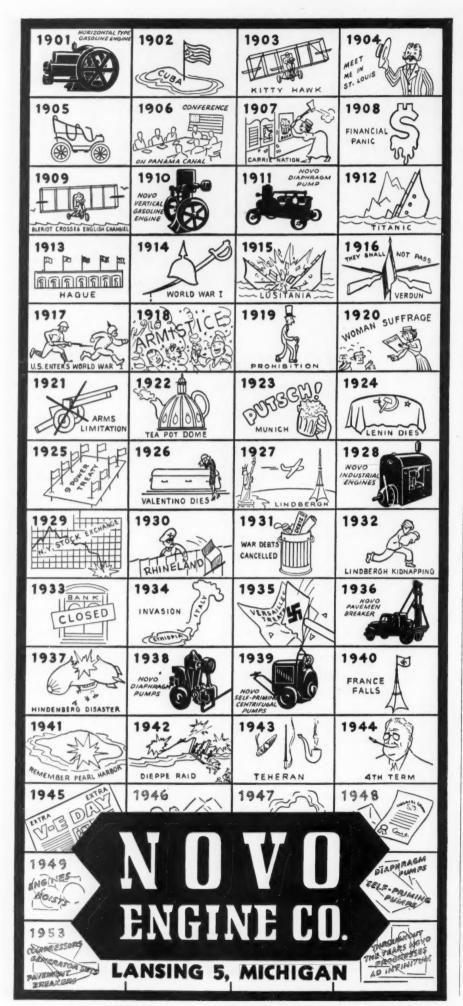
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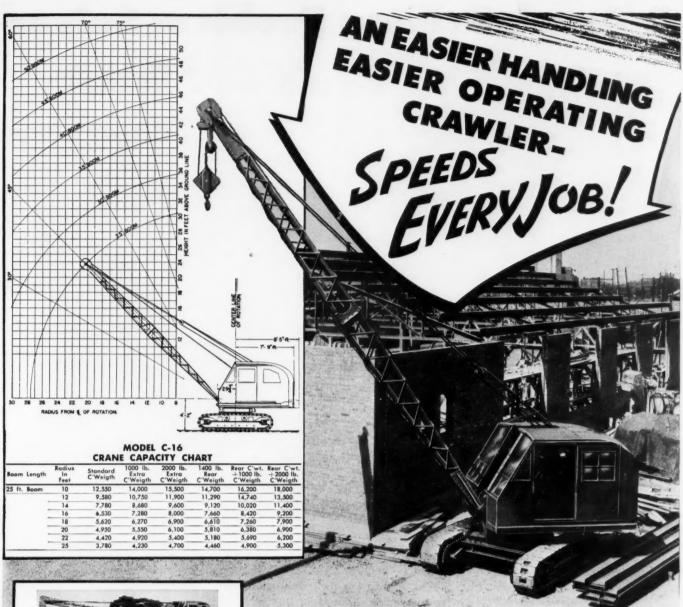
COLOR SELECTION FOR INDUSTRIAL INTERIORS —The Arco Co., Cleveland, Ohio. (18 pp., illustrated) Color selection guide, which permits persons without detailed technical understanding of color science to specify correct color shades that minimize fatigue and promote safety, has been developed for use in industrial, commercial and institutional interiors, enabling any one confronted with a painting job of this type to make his own selections on a scientific basis thus assuring the maximum benefits obtainable through the use of color. First eight rules specify use of colors to compensate for deficiencies in natural and artificial light which is limited by direction of window exposure and type of electric lamps used. The remaining rules guide choice of shades for work areas, machinery and building equipment on a basis of measured contrasts and reflection value, as well as the selection of more colorful combinations for corridors, cafeterias and other occasionally used employee facilities where contrast with prevailing plant colors encourages relaxation and relieves fatigue. Available to those executives who wish to make a scientific color selection for painted

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PLASTIC COATING—Amercoat Div., American Pipe and Construction Co., P.O. Box 3428, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles 54, Calif. (4-p. folder) Many practical suggestions for eliminating corrosion and contamination are to be found in this bulletin which describes the various proved uses of Amercoat No. 23, a general purpose, cold applied plastic coating in a wide range of industries. Technical features and product advantages also are covered in detail.

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RESIN GLUE FOR WOOD BONDING—Bakelite Corp., 30 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y. (8 pp., illustrated) Written expressly to acquaint plywood and furniture manufacturers with the properties of this newest of the phenolic glues, a cold-setting phenolic-resorcinal product which provides maximum water resistance for exterior plywood applications, booklet explains formulations, mixing procedure, working life of glue, spreading, assembly, curing, cleaning and storage. Illustrated with graphs that show pot life, assembly times, and clamp periods. This glue was specifically developed to meet demands for a cold-setting phenolic resin glue for the lamination of heavy lumber, beams, arches and ships' timbers.





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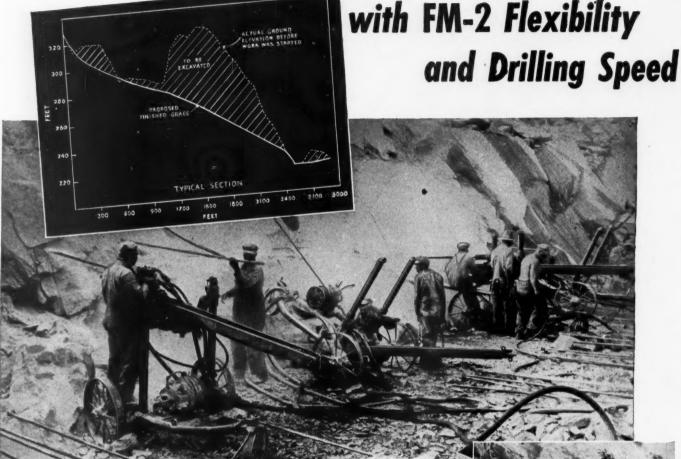
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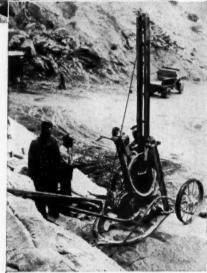
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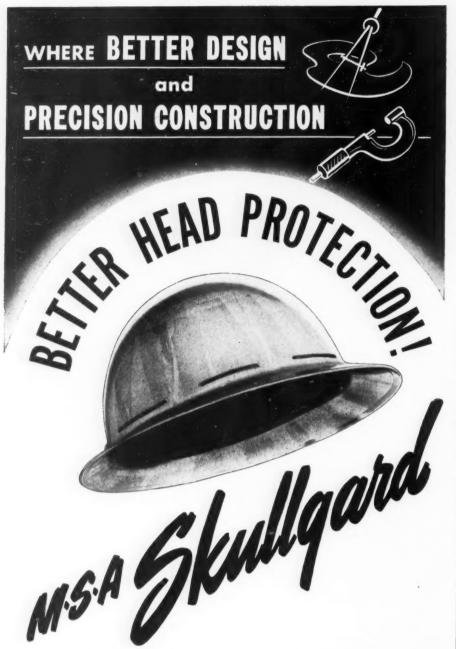


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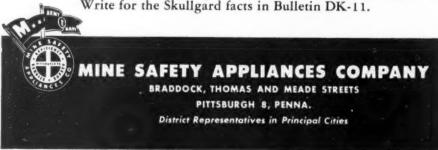
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WELDING MILD STEEL—The Lincoln Electric Co. Cleveland, Ohio (48 pp., illustrated) Describes and illustrates new methods of increasing speed of welding mild steel called "Fleet-Welding" and also of cutting costs as much as 59 percent. Ways in which this method utilizes the benefits of "arc force" to obtain greater penetration and the required weld strength also are brought out. Some of the subjects covered. Using "arc force" to increase welding speed; effect of penetration on welding costs; cost reduction with "Fleet-Welding"; factors affecting production speed and general information for use of procedure tables. Also carries complete information with corrective suggestions on procedures used for butt welds, fillet and lap welds. Several pages devoted to procedures used in welding 18- to 10-gage sheet metal with tables giving electrode type and size, electrode polarity, current, arc speed, pounds of electrode per foot of weld and recommended fit-up for butt welds, fillet welds, lap welds, corner welds and edge welds.

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SAFETY CLOTHING FOR MALE WELDERS—American Optical Co., Southbridge, Mass. Lists and describes various types of clothing including overalls, all-leather pants, hot weather pants, chaps, aprons, coats, cape sleeves and bib, short jacket, sleeves and sleevelets, gloves, mittens and spats, and providing over-all protection against flying sparks, thereby helping to prevent painful skin burns and tending to reduce accident frequency. Patterns for this safety clothing were developed by an expert designer of men's clothes, working in conjunction with a practical experienced welder.

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RECENT DEVELOPMENTS have greatly augmented the possibilities for use of long-center single belt conveyor flights, according to a recent paper by E. A. Mathias, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., before the Materials Handling Machinery Manufacturers Conference at the Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., East Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. Mathias spoke as follows:

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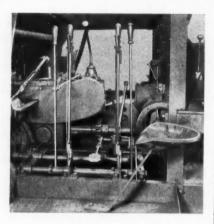


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(Continued from page 148) strength equivalent to 60 plies of heavy cotton belt duck and yet not exceed conventional belt thickness. This new steel cable construction makes it possible to operate a fully loaded belt on centers up to 5 or 6 mi. in horizontal runs."

#### Tractor-Dragline

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and down as a result of travel over uneven ground. Center of gravity of the tractor with crane attached is little above the center of gravity of the stripped tractor, a fact which contributes to the stability of the combination unit. Actua

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On the Kuckenberg contract, the tractor dragline was equipped with a 30-ft. boom, including a 10-ft. pin-connected intermediate section. As the tractor was not carrying a bulldozer, which ordinarily would serve to counterbalance the rear-end crane, counterweights totaling 7,000 lb. were mounted over the tracks alongside the tractor motor.

With the hoist mounted on the back of the tractor in a relatively low position, the dragline fairlead was near enough to the ground for effective digging with the dragline bucket. The operator, seated above the fender of the tractor facing the boom, enjoyed relatively good visibility. Controls are similar to those of a conventional excavator. The boom can swing 120 deg. each side of center, a total of 240 deg., or two-thirds of a circle.

#### Other Attachments

Free-spooling drums of the hoist, which is not a worm drive unit, are well adapted to operation of dragline, clamshell, boom-and-dipper shovel, and other types of excavator attachments. The crane used by the Kuckenberg Construction Co. can handle a %-yd. digging clamshell, and piledriver leads can be mounted on the boom. For handling lighter loads at longer radius, the boom can be extended with a 15-ft. jib.

In addition to the present crane-dragline unit, the manufacturer is completing plans to furnish also shovel, trench hoe and skimmer attachments.

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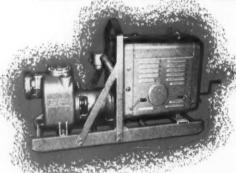
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#### DITCHING

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ent on the new or used equipment market are listed in an accompanying table which gives their principal dimensions and characteristics. Another table shows the digging and road speeds of a mediumsize wheel-type trencher. All trenching machines have an adequate range of speeds to suit various digging conditions. Skill and experience of the operator are most important in making good use of these speeds.

#### Gasoline or Diesel?

Either gasoline or diesel power may be obtained on most new trenching machines purchased today. The gasoline engine offers an advantage in that it will stall if the machine strikes an obstruction or takes a heavy jolt. A diesel engine, because of its greater lugging power, will keep on pulling and, if not disengaged immediately, will twist off a shaft or break a chain.

Diesel engines solve the big headache of all contractors—gas stealing. After knocking-off time, the men all back up to the gas drum and help themselves. Many times I have said to them, "How about leaving a few gallons in the drum so at least we can start up in the morning?"

International's UD-9 diesel engine is just about perfect for trenchers, as it is not too heavy, will burn any kind of fuel oil, and has few parts, making it easy to overhaul. To start it the operator just pushes the starter button, counts ten, and the engine is operating on diesel fuel.

#### Crawler Tracks

An inexperienced purchaser of a trenching machine is likely to find that his major trouble will be with the crawler tracks. Manufacturers of trenching machines contend that, because the machines are required to move only about a mile a day, a cast-steel track assembly.

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without grease seals, is adequate. Personal experience has demonstrated to me that \$3,000 spent on installation of new crawlers with inclosed grease seals, purchased from the manufacturer of a popular tractor, is a profitable investment, eliminating breakdowns and other worries endured for the last 25 years. Some trenching machine manufacturers lately are offering these improved crawler tracks as standard or optional equipment.

Smooth-shoe tracks are best for a trenching machine because they allow slippage and provide cushioning effect when the digging buckets strike an obstruction. Grousers are good in wet or swampy ground, but they will do damage to the transmission and digging elements if left on when a machine is working on stable earth.

Money spent in inclosing chains. sprockets and gears in oil baths also has been a profitable investment for me. This kind of improvement probably will be offered more and more commonly by manufacturers of trenching machines in the future.

#### Design Improvements

Among the greatest improvements to come to my attention are the Fafnir selfoiling bearings with which two of my wheel-type trenching machines have been equipped for more than two years. Two of these bearings are placed on the highspeed engine drive shaft, and two more are placed on the final split-sprocket digging wheel drive of each machine. These bearings are subject to direct, heavy, sudden jolts and jars when the digging wheel strikes obstructions. Dirt, mud, water and sand pour over the bearings all day long. Never once have they given any trouble. As soon as they become available, I intend to put them on every bear-

Trenching machines are equipped with either hydraulic or gear-driven boom hoists. The hydraulic type is quick-acting, but the geared hoist and cable arrangement gives more working range with the boom.

Much time is consumed when bucket teeth have to be changed, and a quicker method would be a great improvement. A medium-sized model of wheel trencher, for example, has 66 teeth with two bolts each, a total of 132 bolts. Putting on new teeth requires the handling of a total of 264 bolts, and a working day is shot in the process.

All new ditchers are equipped with arc conveyors, one of the best improvements made by the manufacturers in recent years. An arc conveyor, with a highspeed belt, can be used close to the ground and still throw spoil far enough away to

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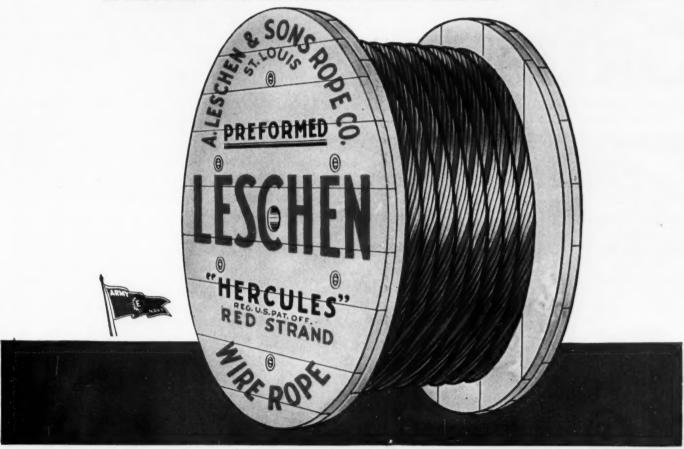
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(Continued from page 154) assure operating efficiency of the machine.

Because of climatic changes, friction-type digging wheel safety slip clutches are practically never effective. In winter, they are too tight; in summer, they are too loose. A new arrangement is needed to assure functioning of friction-type safety slip clutches when a machine strikes an obstruction. Barber-Greene mechanical-type spring-loaded slip clutches come the nearest to being what is wanted on present-day trenchers. This arrangement could be improved to disengage the tracks simultaneously.

#### Future Work

Unlimited prospects face the trenching machine because of future developments in the following fields: (1) Underground installation of all utility lines is a must in the postwar program of every utility company; (2) draining of swamps and marshes will be continued to eliminate malaria and to make available fertile lands now lying dormant; (3) extension of natural-gas and city water lines into rural communities is needed to bring modern sanitary conditions to these localities; (4) irrigation of arid lands with river waters now going to waste is a definite postwar prospect.

None of these proposed large-scale ditching projects would be economically feasible without machines capable of digging a mile a day at a cost of only a few cents per linear foot.

#### Selecting an Operator

Skilled manpower will be abundant after the war, because men in the armed services have had extensive training in handling of machinery. My own experience on Army and Navy contracts has shown me that service men are intensely interested in machine operations and are willing to give time and effort to increase their knowledge of the machines. Several jobs are waiting in my organization for young men whom I have tried out, and these men can go to work as soon as they are released from the armed forces.

Selection of a capable operator is more important than the buying of the machine. Trenching machines are precision-built to do a specific job at high speed, and they just cannot take any abuse whatever. Unless a new man has had previous operating experience and has been well recommended, a contractor ought not to let him touch a trenching machine. One wrong move will bring irreparable damage. The automatic feature of trencher operation makes the machine extremely susceptible to damage hidden by obstructions. Constant alert-

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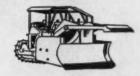
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efficiency.

An operator who says he can run anything, or who makes a bee-line for the starter button, is certainly not the man to hire. One who first looks the machine over carefully may be promising. If a likely man applies, it is best to start him off as a helper, in order to determine exactly whether he is adaptable to trenching machines, the nervous, high-strung racehorses of the construction field. Success in the trenching business comes from practically thinking and living with the machines.

#### Maintenance

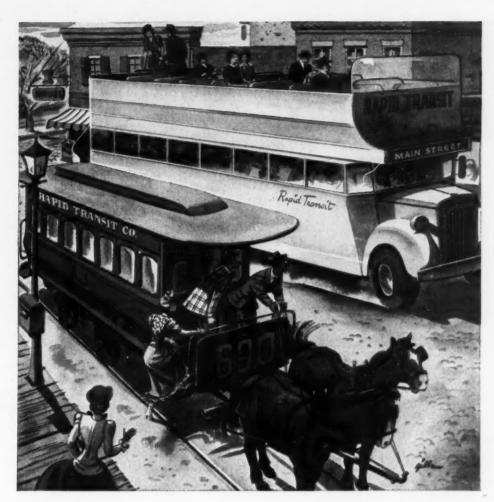
Trenching machines can be maintained most successfully by an owner who operates his own machine shop. In all, three means are available for making machine repairs. Listed in order of their effectiveness and desirability they are: (1) Owner-operated machine shop; (2) parts bought from factory and installed in field; (3) commercial machine shop. As with other construction machines, constant, vigilant maintenance and regular lubrication and inspection pay dividends in steady output and fewer breakdowns.

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18	5.6	8.3	11.1	13.9	16.7	19.4	22.3				
24	7.4	11.1	14.8	18.5	22.2	26.0	29.6				
30	9.3	13.8	18.5	23.2	27.8	32.4	37.0				
36	11.1	16.6	22.2	27.8	33.3	38.9	44.5				
42	13.0	19.4	30.0	32.4	38.9	45.4	52.0				
48	14.8	22.2	29.6	37.0	44.5	52.0	59.2				
54	16.7	25.0	33.3	41.6	50.0	58.4	66.7				
60	18.6	27.8	37.0	46.3	55.5	64.9	74.1				
66		30.5	40.7	51.0	61.0	71.3	81.6				
72		33.3	44.5	55.5	66.7	77.9	89.0				
78		36.0	48.1	60.2	72.2	84.2	93.5				
84		38.9	51.9	64.8	77.8	90.8	104.0				
90		41.6	55.6	69.5	83.4	97.3	111.4				
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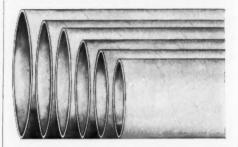
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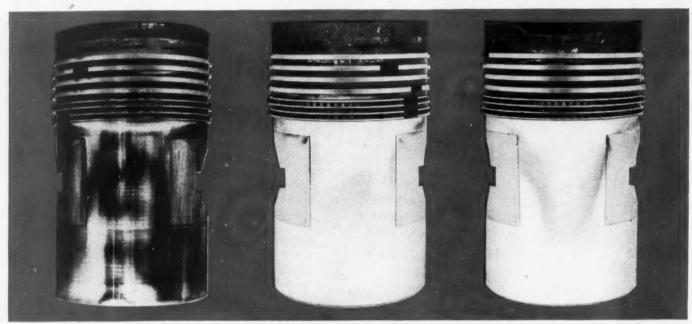
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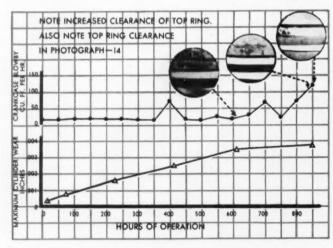


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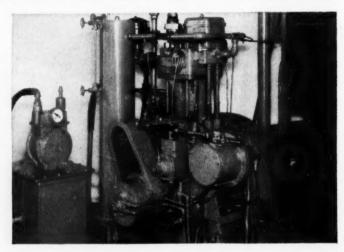


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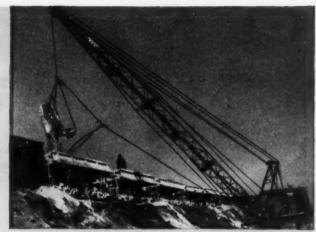
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average quantity required is about 1 percent of the dry weight of the soil. An excess causes no harm, but a deficiency nullifies the effect.

To prepare the tightly compacted shale soil road for treatment, an Austin 10-ton three-wheel roller ripped the material 6 in. deep with an hydraulically controlled seven-tooth scarifier. For greater traction, studs were used on the rear drive wheels of the roller. The road consisted of local red shale of good quality; most of the shale was of a kind that disintegrated upon weathering, but some of it was hard and weather-resistant. Oversize chunks of the latter kind were removed from the road with hand shovels during the scarifying and mixing processes.

#### Admixture Drilled Into Soil

Mechanical application of the pulverized waterproofing agent was possible on this job, where a lime spreader could be readily obtained in the local farming community. Distribution by truck-drawn spreader was preferable to the ordinary method of dumping the material across the treated width by hand from sacks previously spotted at proper intervals on the shoulder. Stabinol was shipped by rail to Gettysburg, 9 mi. from the job. in 75-lb. sacks of waterproof multipleply paper, 50 percent larger than the 50lb. sack which will be the standard size later. A truck-and-trailer hauled to the job on one trip the 15 tons (29,325 lb.) of Stabinol required for the 4,900 sq.yd of treatment. Pulling the lime spreader. which was kept filled with material from the bags by men riding the trailer, the truck-trailer unit was able to cover the 14-ft. treated width on each round trip.

Because the spreader, which functioned in the same manner as an agricultural drill, could distribute Stabinol only at a limited rate, five round trips were necessary to apply the 15 tons. Behind the spreader, the 10-ton roller scarified the compacted tracks left by the loaded truck-trailer, and the disk harrow mixed the waterproofing powder into the soil. Mixing with the tractor-harrow, a Ford Ferguson unit, continued for a total of about 10 hr. During all operations, an Adams gasoline-powered 10-ft. patrol grader kept the road in shape.

When the work started, the moisture content of the shale soil appeared to be near optimum, but during the scarifying, spreading and dry mixing, evaporation caused a moisture loss, despite one brief shower. Following the dry mixing, additional water was applied by gravity spray from a truck-hauled tank wagon. The disk harrow followed the wagon to turn

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#### begun in the lower portion of the treated soil, but the added water aided compaction and bonding of the top 21/2 or 3 in. at about optimum. During these latter stages, the motor grader built up the cross-section profile to a medium roof crown for final compaction by the 10-ton roller, operating without wheel studs. Photographs illustrate several steps in the construction process and indicate, in some measure, the waterproofing effect

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#### **Job Costs**

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#### Direction

Maintenance forces of the Pennsylvania Department of Highways for Adams County built the Stabinol test project under the direction of L. D. Lambert, district maintenance engineer for District 8, with the following men in charge in the county and on the job: W. J. Kendlehart, county maintenance superintendent; Allen Sharrah and Robert A. Thompson, assistant maintenance superintendents; and Luther O. Beitler, foreman.

At the head of the department, John U. Shroyer is secretary of highways and a member of the governor's cabinet, John L. Herber is chief engineer, and Warren K. Myers is chief maintenance engineer. For the Hercules Powder Co., Evart Mayfield, P. J. Reno and S. C. Wendell, engineers, gave personal attention to the experimental project.

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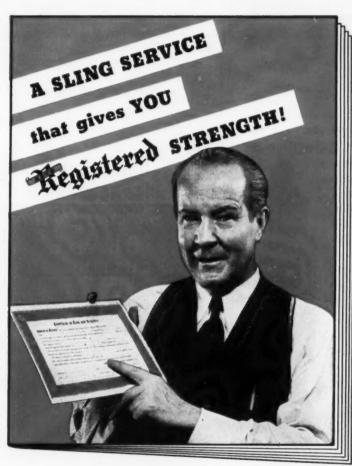
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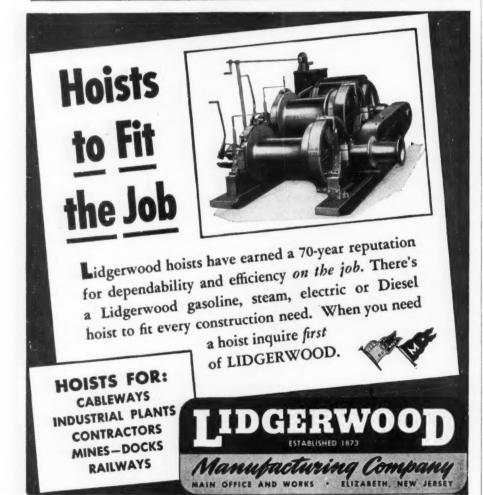
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pressive strength of 4,000 psi. at 28 days, but soon after work started the proportion of aggregate was adjusted upward by 15 percent to take advantage of the plasticity afforded by the admixture, according to Robert L. Mauchel, vice-president, Master Builders Co., who served in a consulting capacity. Tests of the concrete throughout the job showed early compressive strength of 3,500 psi. at 7 days, as reported by Francisco Morales, Jr., project engineer for his father's firm, who also stated that the admixture contributed to successful pumping of the concrete by keeping the fine sand from segregating and clogging the pipeline.

Pumped concrete was delivered by a Pumpcrete machine which could send about 60 cu.yd. per hr. through a pipe line from a plant containing two mixers at one end of the seawall. For the other end of the job, the contractor was unable to obtain anything larger than a ½-yd. mixer. This mixer was set on a platform to discharge concrete into a dump truck which hauled three batches totaling 1.725

cu.yd. per trip.

Single-Pass Stabilizer

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ing, spraying and mixing), the machine leaves in its wake a mixture of uniform gradation and moisture content. Where an admixture, either liquid or powdered, is incorporated in the mix, the single-pass processing machine distributes the added material uniformly throughout the mass. Any dry, pulverized admixture is blended with the soil before the stabilizer adds moisture and performs the final mixing. The fluffed mixture is struck off by the tailboard of the stabilizer at the proper level to allow for compaction.

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H. C. Hettelsater, manager of the stabilizer division, has been in charge of the development of the single-pass stabilizer for the Harnischfeger Corp., Milwaukee, Wis

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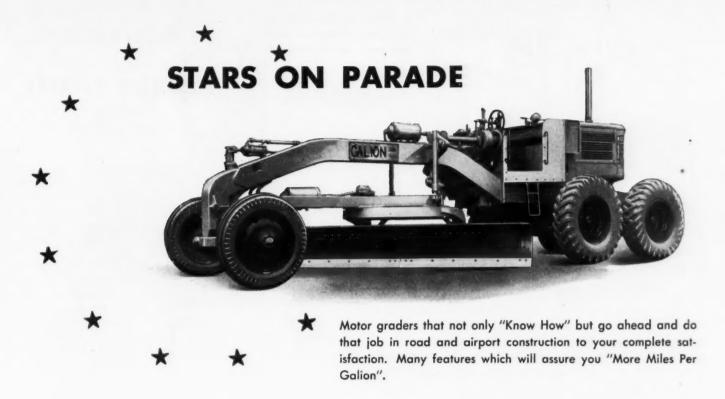
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#### Safeguards Minimize Hazards

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bank in a number of places, as disclosed by excavation on the job. Fall of an 8-ton chunk of rock toward the tracks in 1943 brought to a head a long-contemplated plan to make the portal cuts safe against accidents by removing or anchoring all hazardous rock.

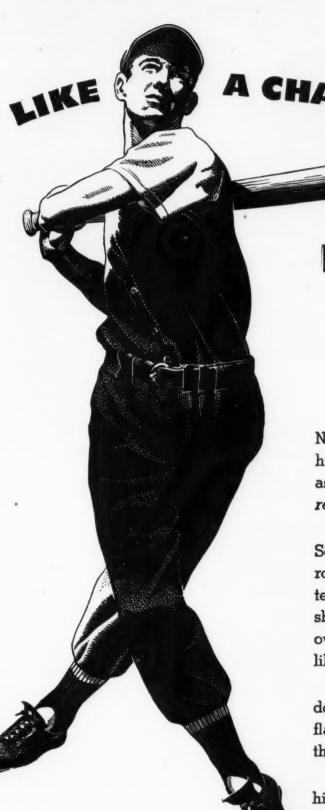
Barricades-Protective timber barricades tied back by steel cables to anchor rods were devised and developed for this job by William H. Ryan, superintendent. Mr. Ryan's acquaintance with the two cuts goes back many years, and his presence on the job is a matter of historical interest. When the Fair Haven tunnel was constructed 52 years ago, he served as superintendent at one portal for his uncle, J. K. Ryan, New York City, contractor for the railroad. By coincidence, the division engineer in charge of the project for the railroad at that time was Clarence Blakeslee, who later resigned from his railroad position to join his brother in the firm of C. W. Blakeslee & Sons, Inc., contractor for the present job. Mr. Blakeslee now is chairman of the board.

Accompanying photographs illustrate the construction of the barricades. The contractor has on the job half a dozen heavy I-beams, 24 to 30 ft. long, which are used as bottom wales, or platform bases, for the barricades at points on the banks where beams of these lengths can be installed. Major panels of the barricades, as shown in the photographs, are built up of heavy timber wales and struts, with thick sheeting of 3- or 4-in. plank. For upper lifts and wings needed on some barricades, the contractor's forces use lighter panels sheathed with \%-in. lumber.

Equipment—On the day when the accompanying photographs were made, the contractor was operating on top of one of the cuts a Lima 878 1¼-yd.-capacity gasoline-powered crane swinging a ¾-yd. Williams heavy-duty clamshell bucket on a 60-ft. boom. Air for paving breakers and drills used in the hard rock at this location came from an Ingersoll-Rand 105-cfm. gasoline-engine compressor. The compressor delivered to a large receiver which acted as a reservoir to permit operation of as many as three air tools at a time.

In the other cut, concrete was being placed with an Insley 1-yd. bucket handled by a Lima 1089 55-ton, 1½-yd.-capacity gasoline-powered crane with an

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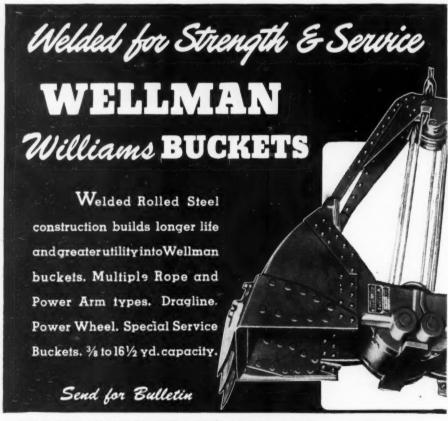
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80-ft. boom. The crane, traveling on a benched roadway at the top of the cut, spotted the empty bucket for filling under the discharge end of truck mixers on a roadway at a slightly higher level and swung the filled bucket out over the edge of the cut for lowering to the forms. Jaeger truck mixers delivered 3½-yd. batches of 1:2:4 concrete to the job from the contractor's own commercial plant in New Haven. The crane handled a 3½-yd. load in three trips with the concrete bucket. Air for pneumatic tools in this cut was supplied by a diesel-powered Ingersoll-Rand 315-cfm. compressor.

As indicated by accompanying photographs, the concrete facing on the rock slopes of the cut is set back at appropriate levels to provide the required thickness without wasting concrete. Prefabricated wooden panels, used for the concrete forms, are tied to the steel dowels, previously mentioned, which anchor the concrete veneer to solid rock. Adequate weep holes are provided for drainage.

It is possible that an application of Gunite or Shotcrete will be made on a portion of the exposed rock in the cut slopes as a protection against weathering.

Retaining Wall—Part of the sound rock removed from the west portal cut was utilized for construction of a stone masonry retaining wall about 400 ft. long at the toe of an earth slope. It is likely that more of the excavated rock will be used in the same way.

#### **Progress**

Because safety takes precedence over speed on a delicate job involving the safety of an operating railroad, the rate of progress of the work necessarily becomes a secondary matter, entirely dependent on the primary factor. In view of the special controls and limitations required for safe work, the contract is on a cost-plus-percentage basis. About \$200,-000 has been expended since the work began on August 3, 1943. Except for concrete, work has continued through two winters, and the job now is about half completed.

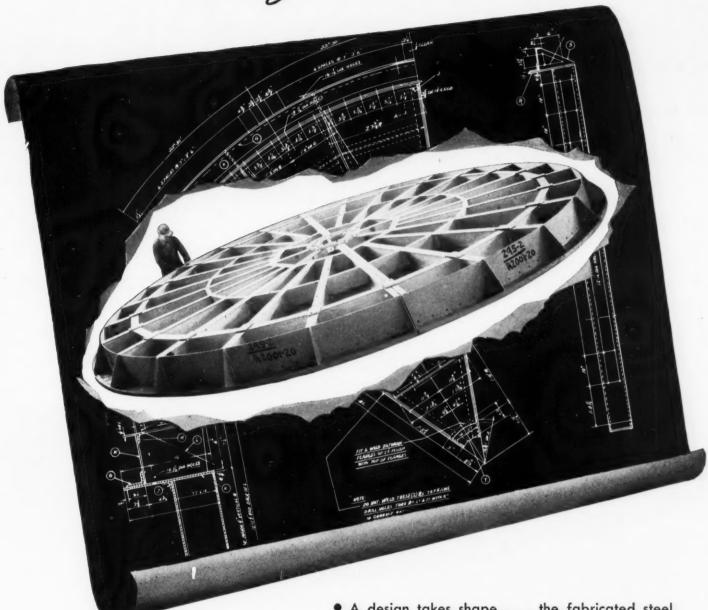
Excavation along a cut bank averages about 6 cu.yd. per linear foot. The ordinary practice is to slope and bench the overburden and then to remove the unsafe rock or encase the rock face in an adequate thickness of concrete. Up to May 1, the contractor had removed 15,600 cu.yd. of excavation and had placed 825 cu.yd. of concrete. About one-third of the excavation is rock.

#### Supervision

For the New York, New Haven & Hartford R.R., E. E. Oviatt is chief engineer, F. J. Pitcher is engineer of bridges and structures, and Herbert E. Brink is engi-

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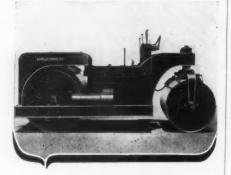
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## Camben Causeway

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designed for a live load of one 15-ton truck and gave excellent service under normal traffic conditions for a number of years. However, the road has been subjected to increased wheel loads and higher traffic speeds for the last few years, especially so since the beginning of the war, because of Navy bases and shipyards in the vicinity of Elizabeth City. As a result of the faster and heavier traffic, the causeway has become extremely costly to maintain. Vibration under heavy loads causes breakage of the wearing surface, floor and stringers. This damage is due not entirely to the heavy loads, but to the age of the timbers as well. The roadway has become extremely dangerous to fast moving traffic because of its narrow width and sharp curves, and because of the difficulty of keeping the surface in a reasonably smooth condition.

#### **New Route Studied**

Consideration was given to an entirely new location for the road, to avoid the deep muck crossing, but a complete relocation proved inadvisable because of the increased travel distance involved and the fact that the drawbridge over the Pasquotank River would have to be abandoned. An extensive survey of this area was made several years ago and a new location was found that would eliminate the sharp curves on the road and take advantage of the shallowest sections of swamp, without losing use of the bridge. The new location crossed the existing roadway in but one place; otherwise it was located at a sufficient distance from the present road not to interfere with traffic during construction. Sufficient fill material could be taken from the river, a reasonable pumping distance from the

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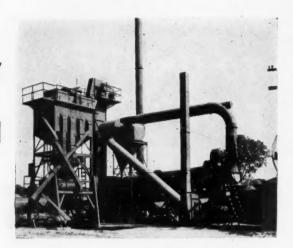
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(Continued from page 184) new location, to make it practicable and economical to place a solid hydraulic fill across the swamp.

#### **Dredging Operations**

Plans were made in 1942 to rebuild the causeway at the new location. The plans called for removal of all muck and vegetation, as well as the many large trees that had grown over the swamp, and placing of a sand fill base for a proposed paved roadway. Because of war-time conditions it was not possible to let the contract for this work until June 1944.

Clearing of the right-of-way began in July 1944, with a dragline stripping away the muck and humus for a width equal to that of the proposed roadway. This operation was followed by dredging out all soft material down to a solid clay or sand foundation, thus creating a canal 15 to 40 ft. deep. A second dredge took fill material from the river bottom and pumped it through an extensible pipeline -as shown in accompanying illustrations to displace the water in the canal and form a stable base for the new roadway. The project involves the removal of 591,-300 cu.vd. of muck and other unsatisfactory material and the pumping in of approximately 1,000,000 cu.yd. of solid fill material.

#### Hurricane Hampers Operations

A tropical hurricane of unusual violence hit the area on Sept. 14, 1944, with a velocity greater than 100 mph. The high winds caused the water to recede from the river, the water level dropping about 7 ft. in a period of several hours. Resultant lowering of the water level in the canal reduced the pressure on its sides and allowed the muck to slump. This bank slumping called for a considerable amount of extra dredging by the contractor. It has progressed since without serious hindrance.

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## Oversize Plywood

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promise to prove extremely versatile in the immediate future. Tailored for curvature in opposite directions in separate parts of the sheet, they will serve boat builders well, both as a hull planking material and for building rounded cabins. They may meet with even wider use in the building field; a single panel, for example, could be used to cover half the face of a store front, including the curved entry. The panels are ideal for building rounded bodies for trucks and trailers.

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(Continued from page 188) mate use of the material. Phenolic resin adhesives are used to bond the segments together, making the scarf joint as permanent and completely waterproof as the phenolic-adhesive-bonded exterior-type fir plywood. The adhesives at the scarf are set under both heat and pressure in specially constructed presses at the various factories. Sanding, as the final operation in joining the units into a long panel, removes the mark of the joint and leaves a line difficult to distinguish without close inspection.

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Based on performance of panels in the dome-shaped barracks previously mentioned, such cylindrical structures as grain bins, silos, tanks and tank forms may be made from oversize plywood in the immediate post-war period. The material may contribute toward simplified construction of houses and small buildings, particularly prefabricated structures.

#### Webs for Beams

Already tested by engineers of Douglas Fir Plywood Assn. at Tacoma, Wash., working jointly with Prof. Bror L. Grondal at the University of Washington testing laboratories, are full-size box beams and I-beams built with webs of scarf-jointed plywood. The results are informative. As an example, a plywood I-beam designed for a load of 9,240 lb. carried an ultimate load of 41,200 lb. The 24-ft.-span beam had a web of 1 3/16 in. plywood 24 in. deep and lumber flanges 25/8 x35/8 in. Failure under test came in the lumber flanges, not in the scarf-jointed plywood. Structural advantages of continuous plywood webs glued to framing members, as revealed by this test, may lead to use of such panels for loading ramps, hangar doors and special containers.

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#### Thick Plates Important

Use of plywood gusset plates, which has increased steadily since timber connectors were introduced in the United States 10 years ago, has expanded abruptly during the war with the mass erection of timber-framed heavy structures. Following pre-war practice, the extra heavy plywood plates, up to 3 or 4 in. thick, have been used primarily in roof truss construction with ring connectors. The success of such applications has led to the use of plywood gussets and knee-braces for less important structures in which bolts or nails serve to transfer stresses. In bridge and tower construction, too, gusset of exterior-type plywood have proved efficient. Further, during the war, use of thick plywood gussets as connecting members for strengthening plates has spread to the marine field with naval architects specifying them for many parts of boats, barges and landing craft.

Military needs have fostered other applications of thick panels. Typical is the use of 21/4-in.-thick exterior plywood for the ends of stringers for ponton bridge treadways. Here plywood is required to provide a split-proof stringer which can be tied to adjacent treadway stringers with bolts. By using plywood ends, a strong, split-proof member results so that the quality of lumber in the balance of the treadway may be reduced and still carry the desired load.

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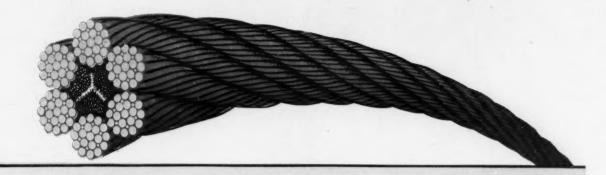
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